CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions are for constructing the below supplemental materials.

Lesson 2 Language and Dramatic Play

- Squirrel stick puppets
- Alligator Pie poem sheet
- Little Miss Muffet rebus story
- Baa Baa Black Sheep stick puppets
- Scat the Cat storyboard characters

Lesson 4 Music and Movement Activities

• Song and Movement Activities booklet

Lesson 5 Math and Science

- Butterfly sequencing
- Humpty Dumpty sequencing
- The Ants Go Marching rebus song

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Printing: It is suggested that these supplemental materials be printed on cardstock or another type of heavyweight paper.

Coloring the characters: Use markers for a more brilliant color. Pastels, paint, and colored pencils can be used (the color is not as bright with colored pencils). Crayons should not be used because the colors will melt if laminated.

Laminating: For greater longevity of the characters, laminating is recommended if access to a laminator is available.

Laminators vary in adherence. Some work fine by laminating first then cutting out the characters. For other laminators, it works best to cut out the character first, laminate and then cut out the character again, leaving ¼" of lamination film on the outside of the character for a seal.

Velcro: Velcro has hooks and loops. Always place the hook piece of Velcro on the character. In this way, it will adhere to the natural loop on the flannel board. Place the loop piece of Velcro on the folder to store the characters.

CONSTRUCTION OF INDIVIDUAL MATERIALS

Squirrel stick puppets

Cut out the squirrels. Either cut around the squirrels or make them into cards and laminate. Place a craft stick on the back and attach with masking tape.

Alligator Pie poem sheet

Color the alligator pie with markers and laminate.

Little Miss Muffet rebus story

Color the rebus characters with markers and laminate.

Baa Baa Black Sheep stick puppets

Color the sheep red, yellow, blue, and green with markers. You may want to run additional copies on card stock to make a white and black sheep. Cut out the sheep and laminate. Place a craft stick on the back and attach with masking tape.

Scat the Cat storyboard characters

Color the characters with markers. Color one cat black, green, blue, yellow, and red. Color Timothy Turtle green and Leo the Lion yellow. Cut out the characters and laminate. Attach Velcro (hook side) dots to the back of the characters.

Prepare the folder by drawing around each character on the inside. Spot glue the story on the back of the folder. Place the name of the story on the tab. By placing a cat character on the front of the folder and placing outlines of the characters on the inside, makes it easy for children to identify the story and replace the pieces. Laminate the folder and attach the Velcro loop pieces so the characters can be attached to the folder.

Songs and Movement Activities booklet

The Songs and Movement Activities booklet is designed to be printed double-sided. Cut each page in half. As you cut, place the **top half** of each page facedown in one stack and place the **bottom half** facedown in another stack. Continue cutting and stacking. Once all pages are cut apart, combine the two stacks while ensuring *Song and Movement Activities* and *The End* are both facing outwards. Place two hole punches in the pages and bind together with binder rings.

Butterfly sequencing

Color the characters with markers, cut out to make cards (4¹/₄" wide and about 4¹/₂" high), and laminate. Use this for sequencing game.

Humpty Dumpty sequencing

Color the characters with markers, cut out to make cards of equal size, and laminate. Use for sequencing game.

The Ants Go Marching rebus song

Color the characters with markers and laminate.