

INPUT SUGGESTIONS FOR CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

After brainstorming for Christmas words the activities will be much easier for the students to complete independently.

Language / Word Charts

1. Christmas Tastes
2. Christmas Sounds
3. Christmas Feelings
4. Decorations
5. Santa, Reindeer
6. The First Christmas
7. Words That Describe Christmas
8. Christmas Toys
9. Christmas Greetings
10. Christmas is...

Cut out chart paper or mural paper into Christmas shapes.

POSSIBLE CENTRES:

In January the students will have a wealth of experiences to share. The children will want to bring presents in to show and tell about. This is an excellent time for oral language development. You may also get your best creative writing results at this time.

1. Toy Centre - Classification of toys e.g. modern/long ago, ways they work, inside/outside, materials toys are made of

Riddles About Toys

Care of Toys and Toy Safety

Art - painting, modelling, box sculpture

Graphing

Word Activities - using toy words

e.g. materials toys are made of, words that describe toys, parts of toys

Listening - Teacher/Student describes a toy/gift, others guess what it is

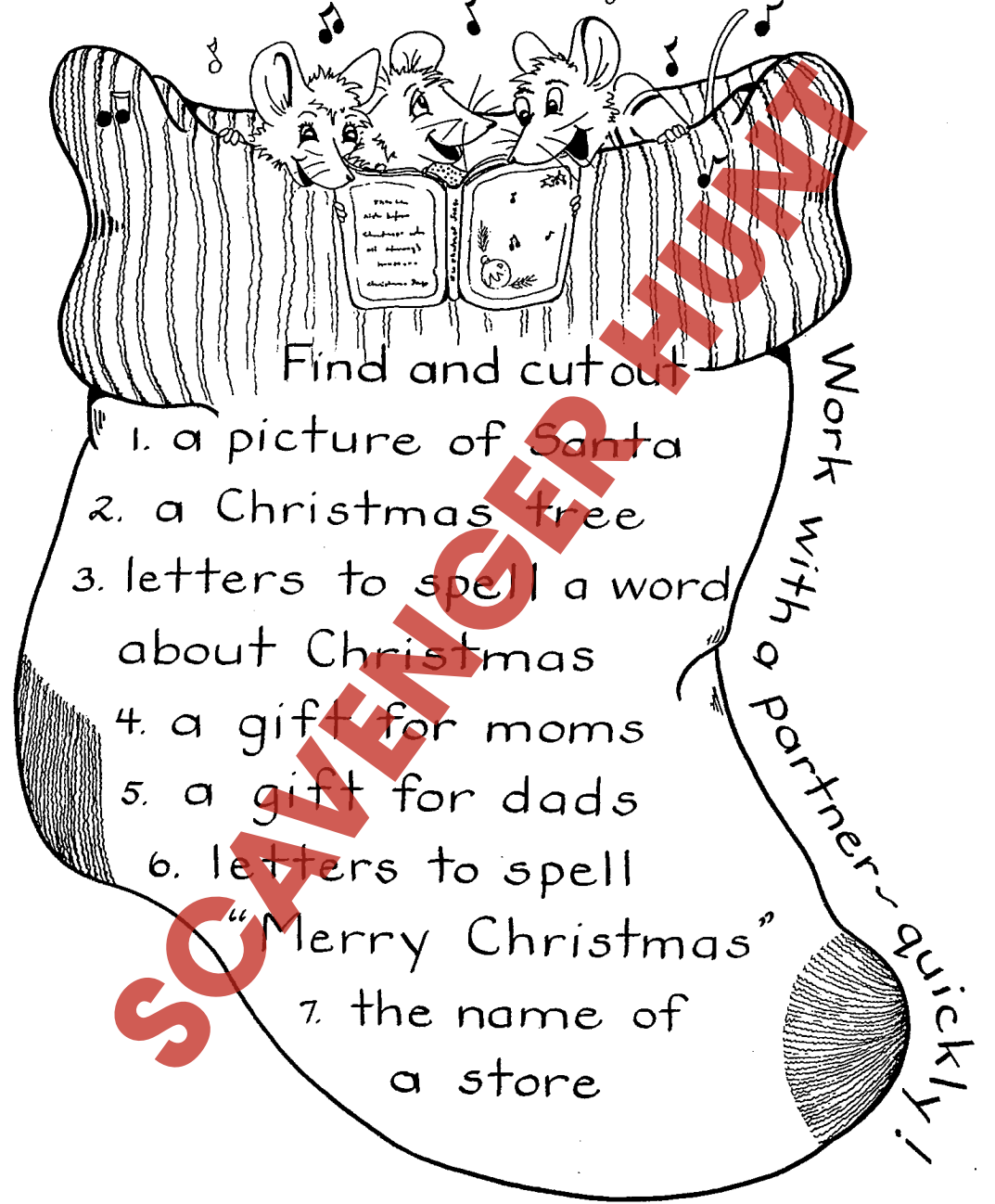
- Teacher tapes a description of toys/gifts, the toys are visible to the students and they choose the toy/gift to match the description.

Draw a surprise in Santa's sack each time you finish one activity.

This sack belongs to...



Christmas Scavenger Hunt

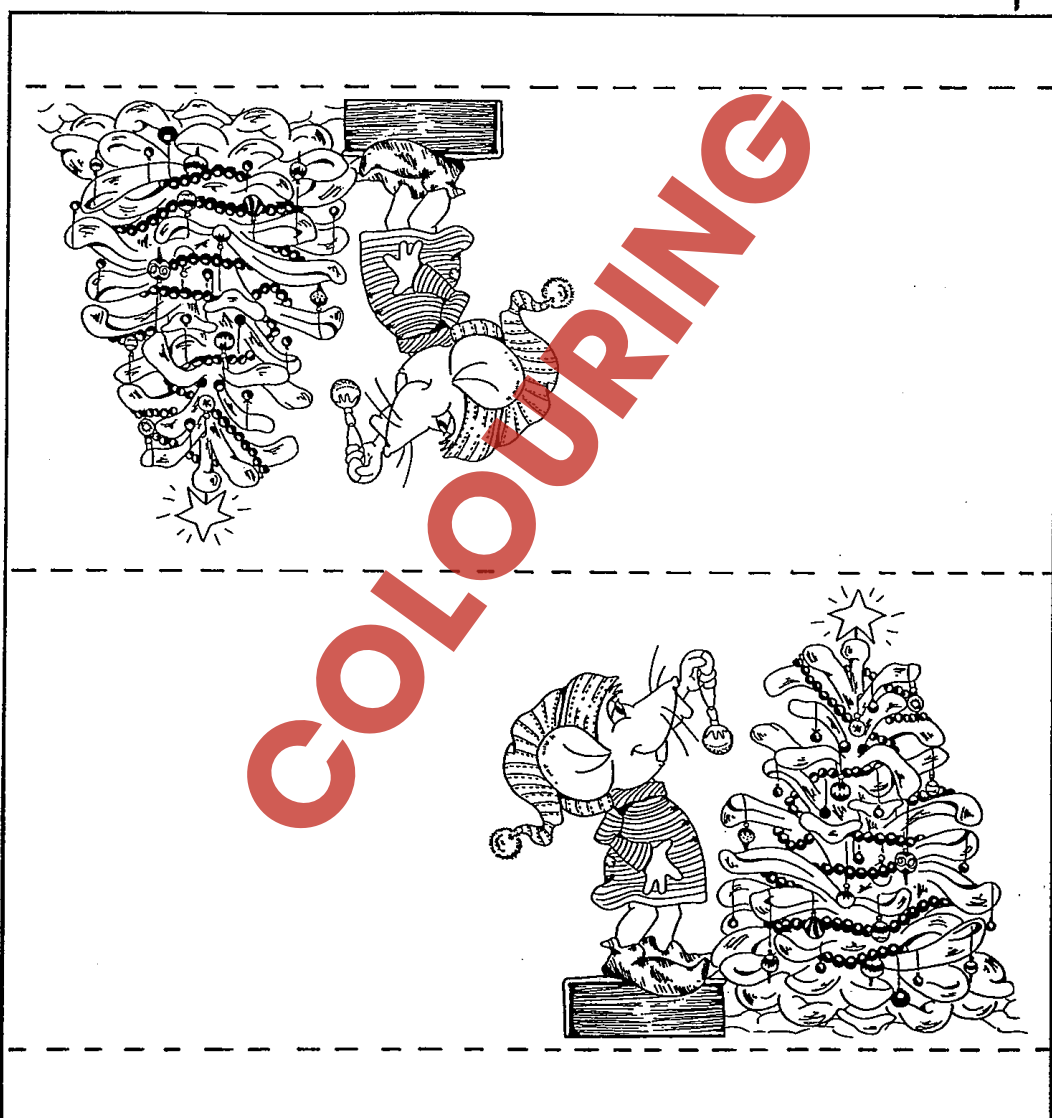


Find and cut out

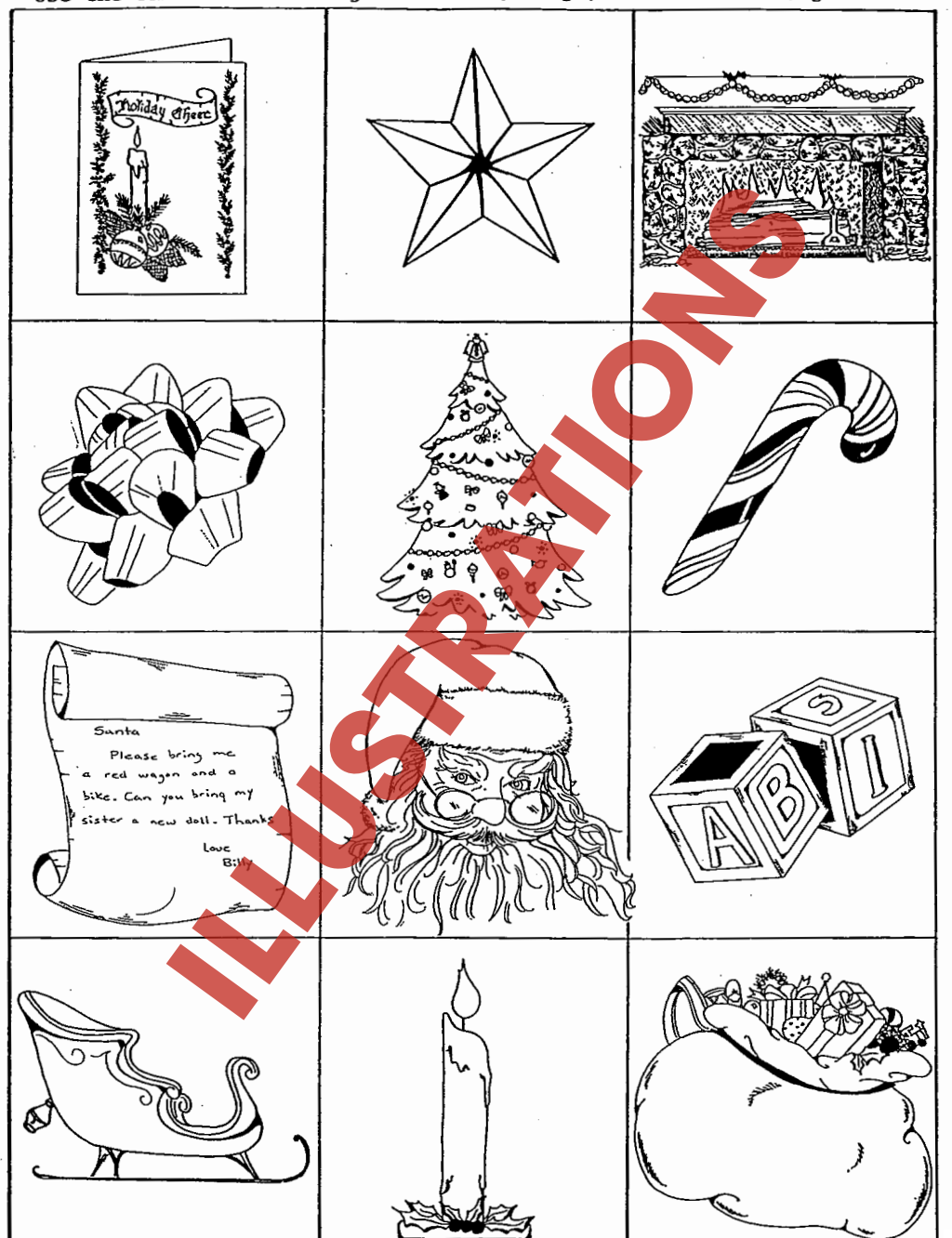
1. a picture of Santa
2. a Christmas tree
3. letters to spell a word about Christmas
4. a gift for moms
5. a gift for dads
6. letters to spell "Merry Christmas"
7. the name of a store

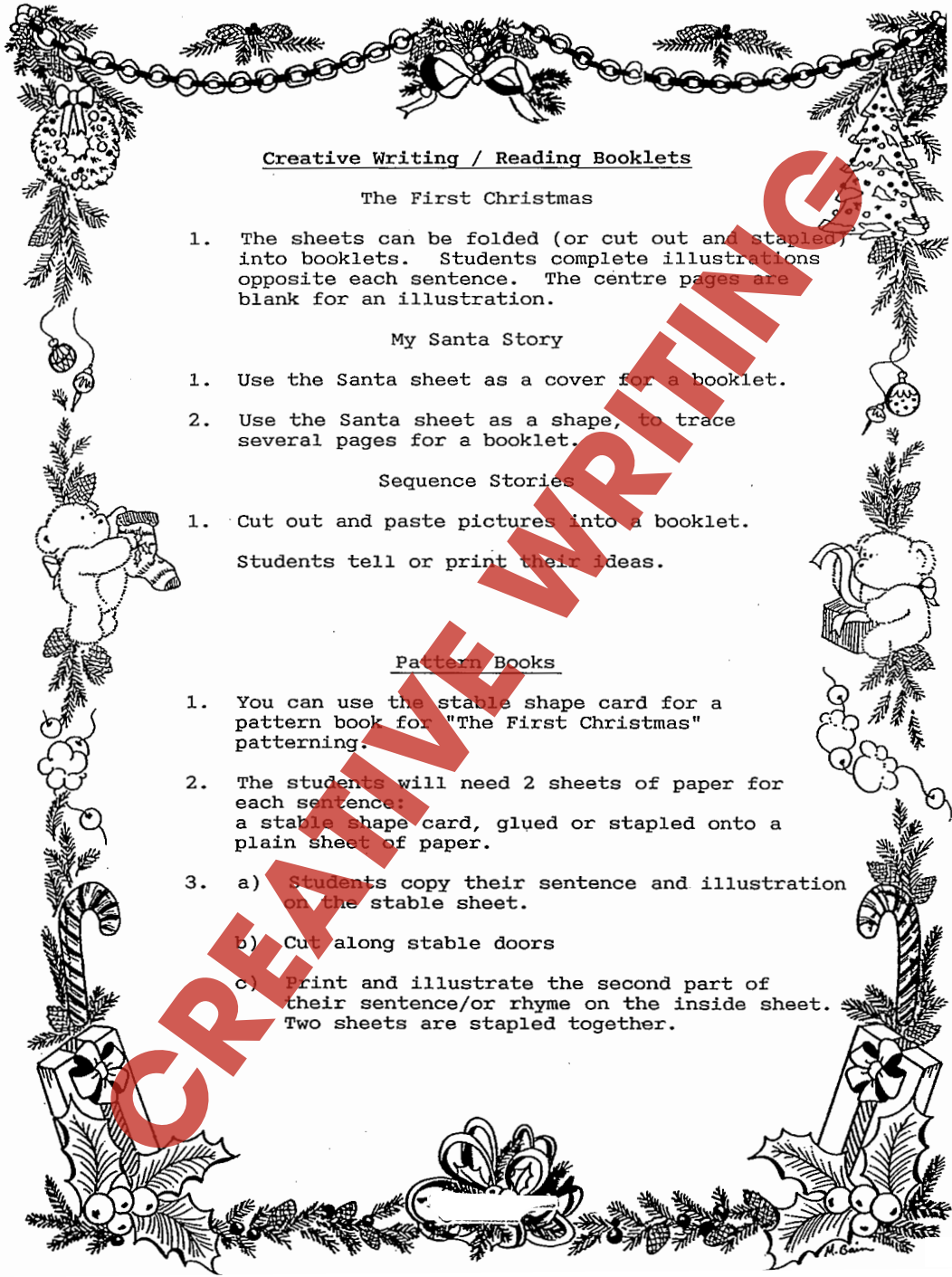
Work with a partner - quickly!

Make name cards to put on your table at Christmas. Colour the card. Cut it out. Fold on---to make the card stand up.



PICTURE CARDS:
Colour, cut out, mount and laminate the picture cards.
Use the cards for matching activities, bingo, classification, games...





Creative Writing / Reading Booklets

The First Christmas

1. The sheets can be folded (or cut out and stapled) into booklets. Students complete illustrations opposite each sentence. The centre pages are blank for an illustration.

My Santa Story

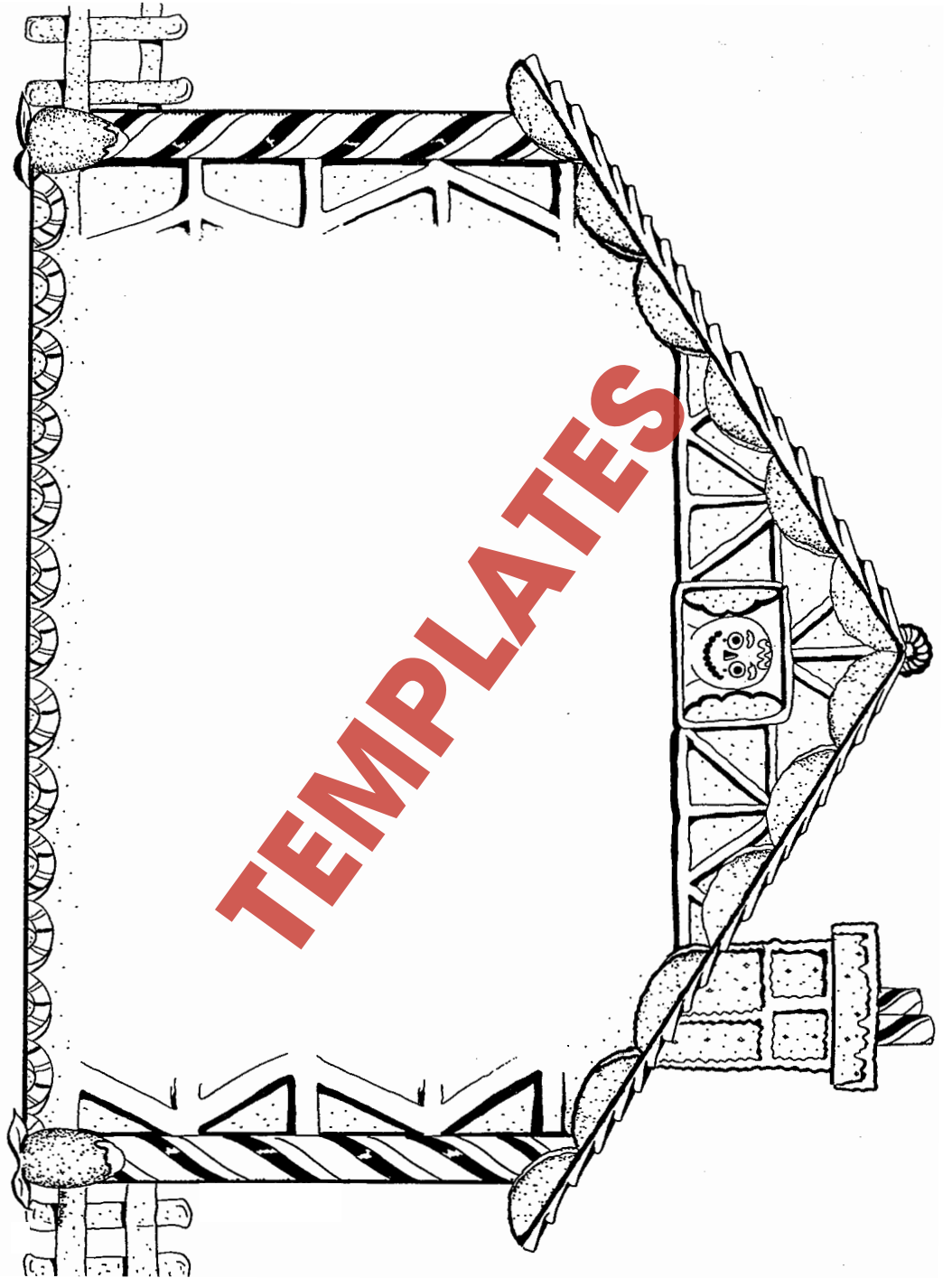
1. Use the Santa sheet as a cover for a booklet.
2. Use the Santa sheet as a shape, to trace several pages for a booklet.

Sequence Stories

1. Cut out and paste pictures into a booklet. Students tell or print their ideas.

Pattern Books

1. You can use the stable shape card for a pattern book for "The First Christmas" patterning.
2. The students will need 2 sheets of paper for each sentence: a stable shape card, glued or stapled onto a plain sheet of paper.
3. a) Students copy their sentence and illustration on the stable sheet.
 b) Cut along stable doors
 c) Print and illustrate the second part of their sentence/or rhyme on the inside sheet. Two sheets are stapled together.

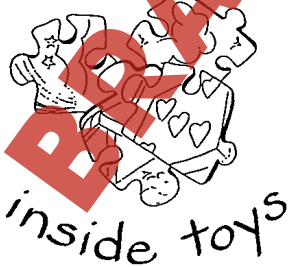


Brainstorming

Draw or cut out and paste pictures of toys.



outside toys



inside toys

CHRISTMAS MATCH:
 Which two pictures go together?
 Cut out and paste the pictures to make a match.
