

MOUSE TALES

TEACHER INPUT SUGGESTIONS

Incorporate a mouse theme into your reading programme.

The activity cards in this unit can be used:

- 1) as large group activities with the whole class.
- 2) as individual activities after any mouse story, novel or poem.
- 3) with a group of students working on a mouse novel.

Read and discuss a mouse story or poem each day. Share the work done by the students and display their finished products in the room, hall or library.

1. Collection of Materials

Visit the public library and along with the resources from your school library and the children, collect reading materials to accommodate all reading levels of your students.

Collect mice poems (from books or written by the students) and display them on mouse shapes for the class to read and to copy.

"Pet Mice"

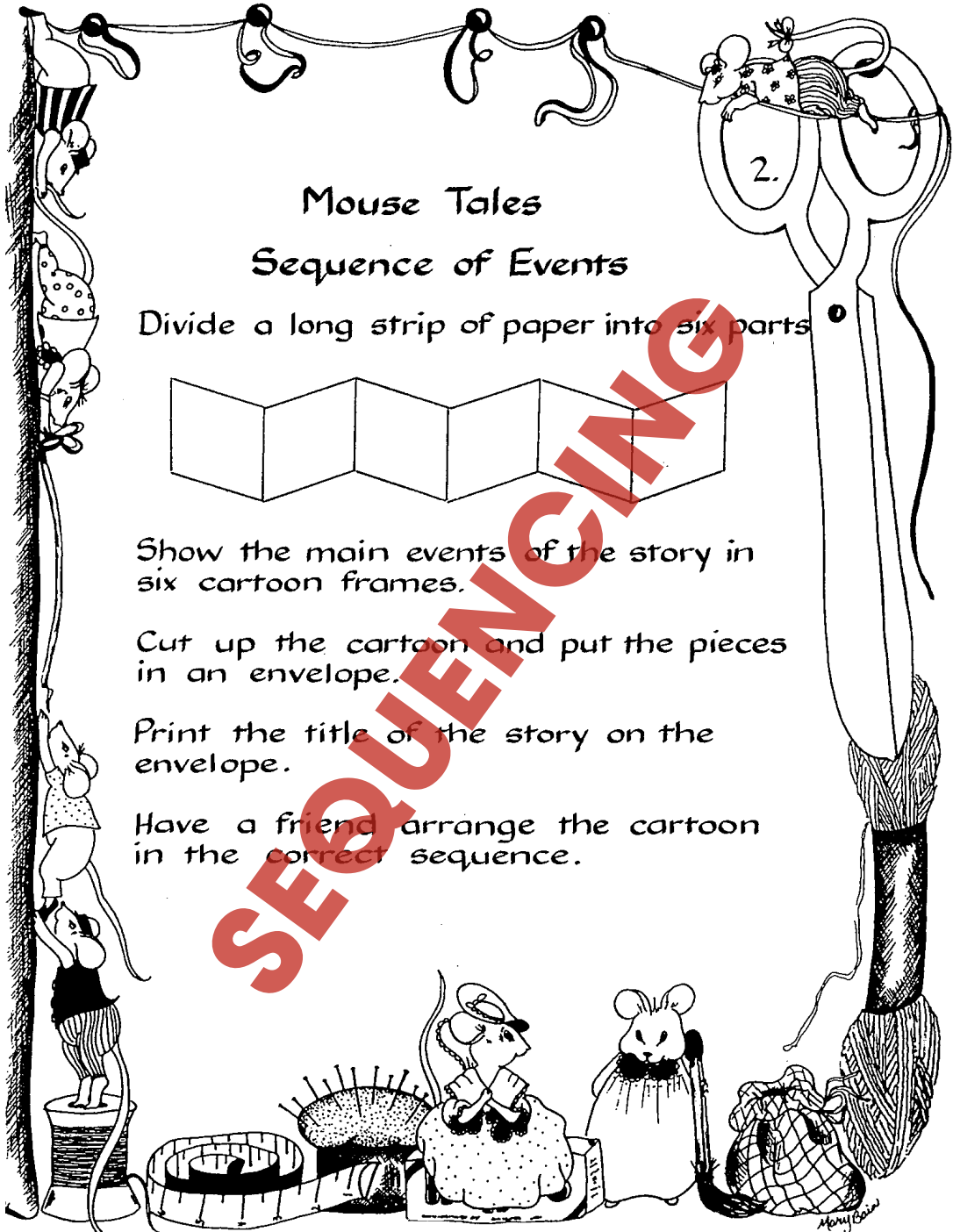
Set up a collection of mice. (stuffed, ceramic mice puppets)

2. Develop Word Charts

Develop mouse vocabulary and add to classroom charts regularly.

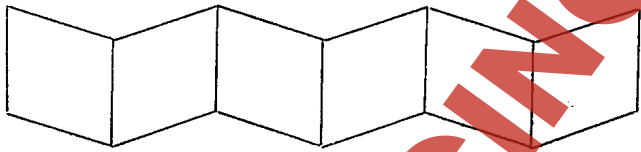
- 1) mouse words for story writing
- 2) new vocabulary from mouse books
- 3) Mouse Facts
Did You Know?





Mouse Tales Sequence of Events

Divide a long strip of paper into six parts

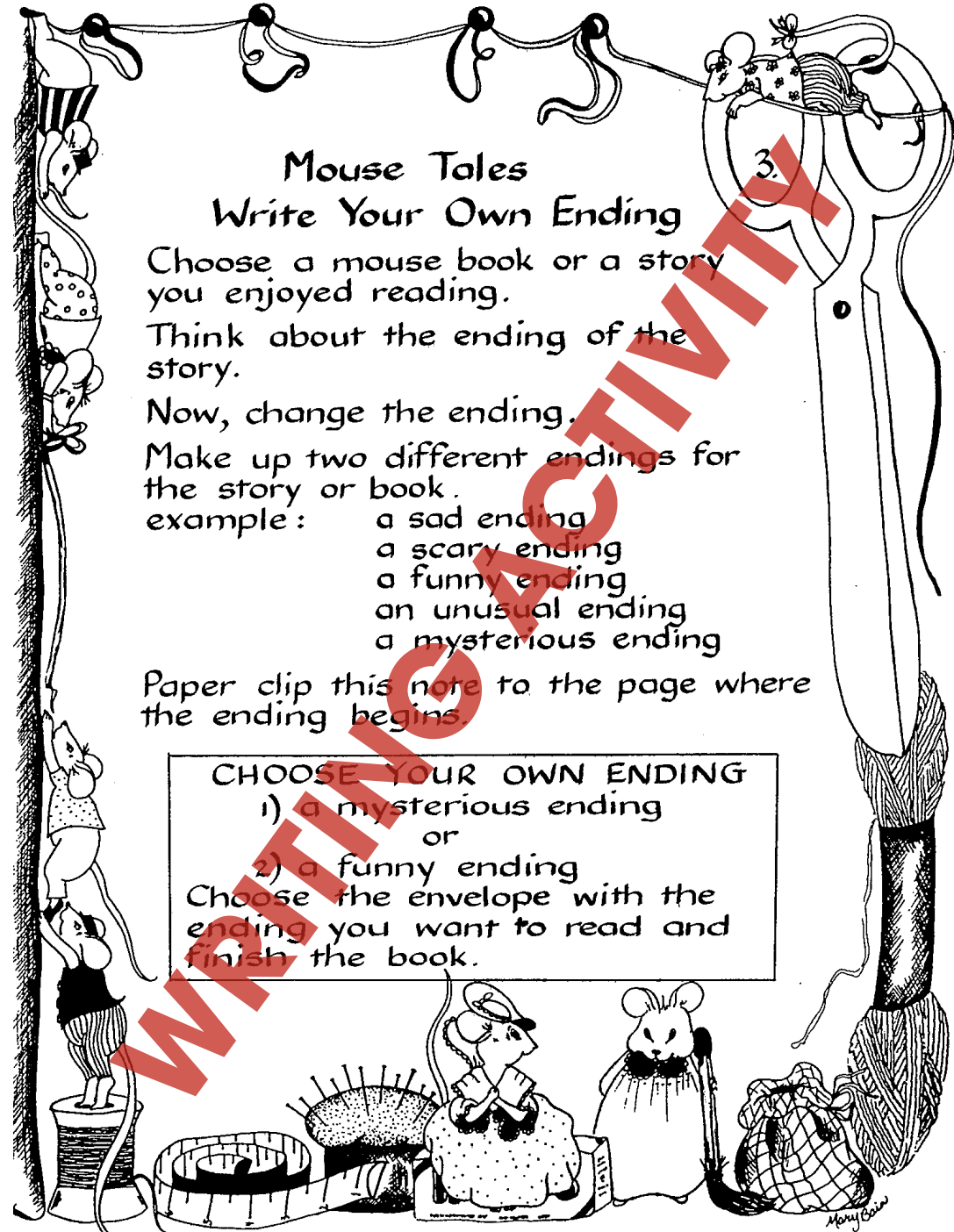


Show the main events of the story in six cartoon frames.

Cut up the cartoon and put the pieces in an envelope.

Print the title of the story on the envelope.

Have a friend arrange the cartoon in the correct sequence.



Mouse Tales Write Your Own Ending

Choose a mouse book or a story you enjoyed reading.

Think about the ending of the story.

Now, change the ending.

Make up two different endings for the story or book.

example: a sad ending
a scary ending
a funny ending
an unusual ending
a mysterious ending

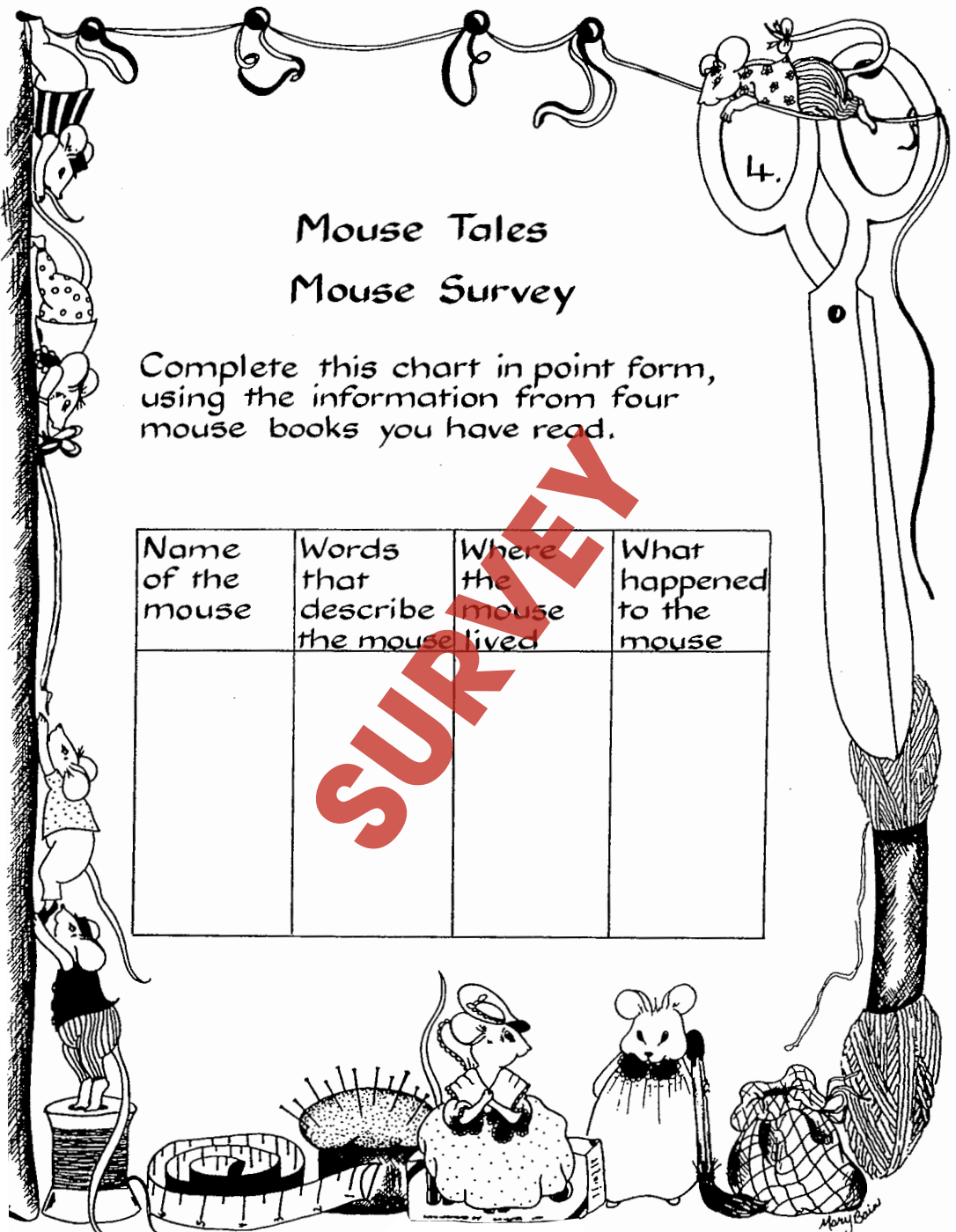
Paper clip this note to the page where the ending begins

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ENDING

1) a mysterious ending
or

2) a funny ending

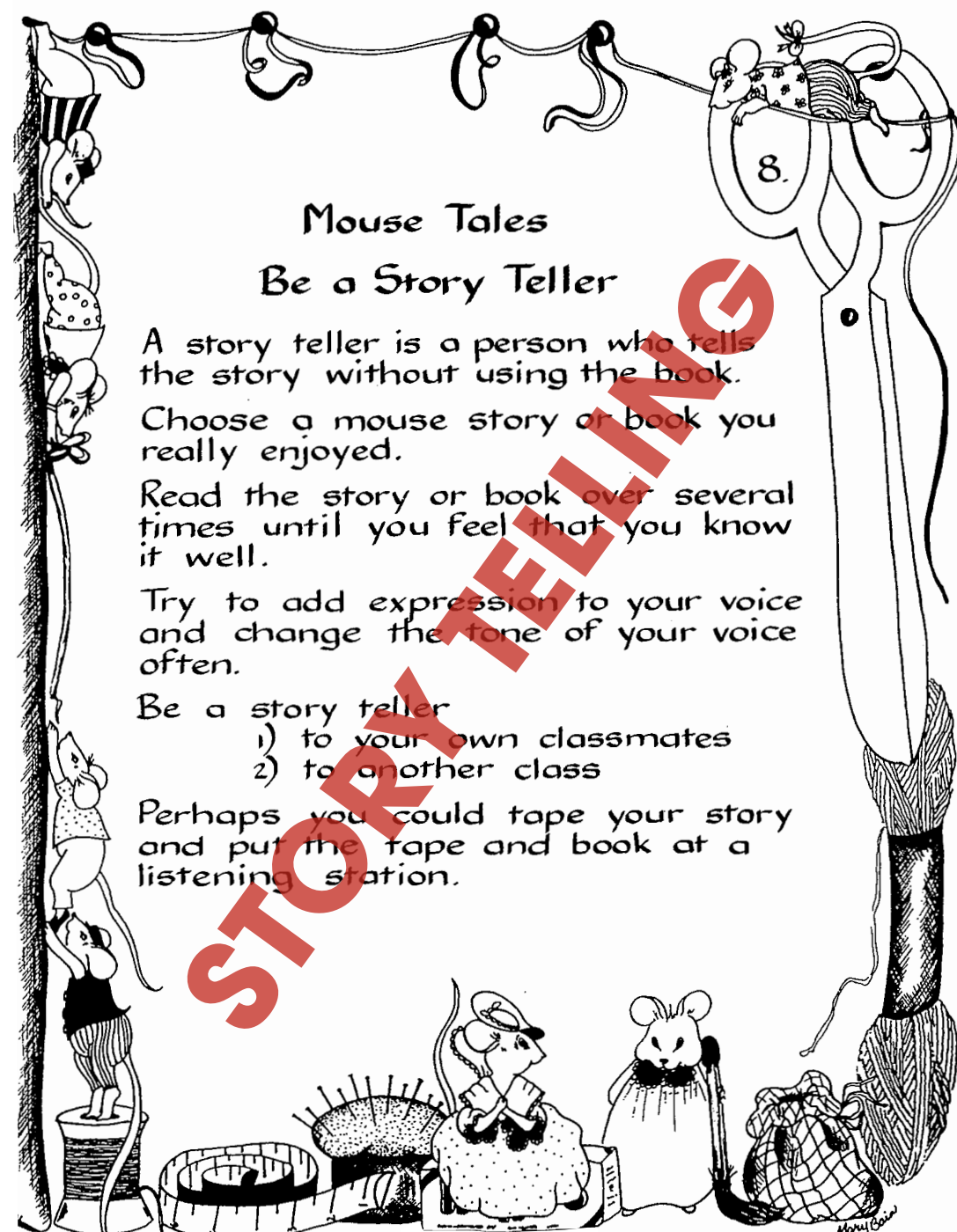
Choose the envelope with the ending you want to read and finish the book.



Mouse Tales Mouse Survey

Complete this chart in point form, using the information from four mouse books you have read.

Name of the mouse	Words that describe the mouse	Where the mouse lived	What happened to the mouse



Mouse Tales Be a Story Teller

A story teller is a person who tells the story without using the book.

Choose a mouse story or book you really enjoyed.

Read the story or book over several times until you feel that you know it well.

Try to add expression to your voice and change the tone of your voice often.

Be a story teller

- 1) to your own classmates
- 2) to another class

Perhaps you could tape your story and put the tape and book at a listening station.

