

Just for Adults™

Abstract Categories

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Skills	Ages
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ abstract categorization■ reading and auditory comprehension■ inclusion and exclusion■ perceptual features■ vocabulary■ word relationships	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ 16 through adult
Grades	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ high school and up	
Evidence-Based Practice	
<p>According to the <i>Clinical Guidelines of the Royal College of Speech & Language Therapists</i> (www.rcslt.org/resources, 2005) and the National Stroke Association (2006), the following therapy principles are supported:</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Communication, both verbal and nonverbal, is a fundamental human need. Meeting this need by facilitating and enhancing communication in any form can be vital to a patient's well-being.■ Therapy should include tasks that focus on semantic processing, including semantic cueing of spoken output, semantic judgments, categorization, and word-to-picture matching.■ Therapy may target the comprehension and production of complex, as well as simple, sentence forms.■ Therapy should be conducted within natural communication environments.■ Rehabilitation is an important part of recovering from a stroke, and the goal is to regain as much independence as possible.	
<p>This book incorporates the above principles and is also based on expert professional practice.</p>	



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WALC 2–Cognitive Rehab

WALC 8–Word Finding

WALC 9–Verbal and Visual Reasoning

WALC 10–Memory

WALC 11–Language for Home Activities

The Source for Apraxia Therapy

Zanmi, Kathy's Samoyed, goes to work with her to encourage the clients. Her clients enjoy feeding and spending time with Zanmi, and Zanmi enjoys their company. Everybody wins!

Dedication

This book is respectfully dedicated to Danielle Fedele. Thanks for all your help in using the exercises in this series of books. I couldn't have done it without you. May your journey in the world of speech/language pathology be fulfilling and fruitful.

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Introduction

Categorization is an integral part of our daily communication. We categorize in multiple ways every day. We categorize when we get dressed, when we choose what to eat, when we go shopping, when we plant gardens, and so on. But the ability to categorize is frequently impaired in someone who has language or thinking difficulties. It can become very confusing or overwhelming if categorization skills are impaired.

Many factors can hinder one's ability to categorize, such as:

- Difficulty understanding language or concepts due to aphasia.
- Difficulty utilizing convergent language skills.
- Difficulty mentally manipulating information and coming to a conclusion.
- Impulsivity causing action before receiving and analyzing all pertinent information.
- Becoming overwhelmed with mentally-held information and new input.

The exercises in *Just for Adults: Abstract Categories* have been developed to address abstract categorization. Abstract categorization addresses intangible qualities and characteristics as opposed to concrete categorization which refers to things that are definite and tangible. Abstract categorization skills are foundational for many language and thought processes and for activities of daily functioning.

The exercises can be done in multiple ways.

- Have clients read items silently and complete them independently.
- Have clients read task items aloud and write the response. In general, performance improves when a person has multi-modality input (i.e., hearing it while reading it).
- Read the items to the client and have the client give responses verbally.

On page 6, you will find a screening tool that is not to be used as a test but rather as a way to observe a client's use of strategies and reasoning patterns. Some questions to think about while observing how the client completes the screening include:

1. Does the client need to use verbal rehearsal to aid comprehension?
2. Is the client impulsive, and does his impulsivity lead to errors?
3. Does the client read too much into the task and become confused?
4. Is the client aware of his error responses?
5. Does the client ask for clarification when having difficulty or does he just keep going, whether the item is understood or not?
6. Does the client miss salient information?
7. Is the client able to think convergently and divergently?
8. Does the client have trouble shifting from one task to the next?

These guidelines will help you present the activities in this book.

- The goals of these exercises are to improve a person's ability to converge upon specific members of a category and to think divergently to determine the category to which members belong. These abilities to converge and diverge information are foundational skills in many cognitive functions. Be flexible with presentation and accept answers that differ from your viewpoint if the person can give a logical explanation. The answers in the Answer Key are provided as a reference and are not intended to be all inclusive.
- The exercises are not for testing purposes. Try to make them as enjoyable as possible. Talking about the specific task items, particularly when correcting error responses, will help to improve one's ability for achieving the goals. Do not get into debates if the person is unable to see another viewpoint for a response. Just move on to the next item.

I hope you and your clients find these exercises enjoyable and beneficial.

Kathy

Screening

1. Circle the best answer. A glass is something that: snaps jumps breaks
2. Circle the one that is dry. desert mist dew
3. Connect the category to its member.
smells good heater
bright glass
hot spotlight
smooth rose
4. Circle the two items from the same category.
tissue sponge windy
5. Circle the things that fly.
butter wasp pencil
kite stamp spaceship
mitten eagle airplane
6. Circle the item that doesn't belong with the others.
door eyes paper mouth
7. Name something white that begins with the letter S. _____
8. Add a similar item to this list.
anchor, truck, 200-lb. weight, _____
9. Name five green things found in a garden.

Selecting Category Name—Three Choices

Mark the category on the right that goes with the item on the left.

- Example: **lemon** sweet salty **sour**
1. **elbow** plants sees bends
2. **memo** short floats old
3. **fire** opened burns rare
4. **owl** jingles fresh hoots
5. **corn** yellow purple black
6. **football** baked thrown tuned
7. **hammer** hard ripped pliable
8. **cake** bright hairy sweet
9. **turtle** fast slow square
10. **joke** short young funny
11. **mouse** small large wide
12. **dime** heavy round sticky
13. **genius** smart locked clear
14. **scream** slow pointed loud
15. **rain** thin wet lumpy

Selecting Category Name—Three Choices

Mark the category on the right that goes with the item on the left.

- | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|---------|-------------|
| Example: lemon | sweet | salty | sour |
| 1. mile | mixed | long | loud |
| 2. balloon | served | sharp | inflated |
| 3. frog | jumps | hard | flat |
| 4. antiques | grows | soft | old |
| 5. doorknob | turns | served | spicy |
| 6. mosquito | large | flies | deep |
| 7. mirror | packed | expires | reflects |
| 8. sun | green | bright | moist |
| 9. lettuce | crisp | quick | tiny |
| 10. carrot | strong | shrill | orange |
| 11. gravel | tall | rough | salty |
| 12. boat | soft | low | floats |
| 13. mountain | turns | chewy | large |
| 14. tree | opens | bland | grows |
| 15. cotton | early | soft | wide |

Selecting Category Member—Three Choices

Mark the word on the right that goes with the category on the left.

- Example: **blue** nut **blueberry** starch
1. **cold** puzzle ramp ice
2. **flows** river sun buck
3. **sharp** ear knife stand
4. **green** finger bark grass
5. **expires** license picture radio
6. **quick** turtle tears eye blink
7. **rips** clothing cement stone
8. **colorful** rainbow glass water
9. **straight** ruler curls ball
10. **sticky** powder wind glue
11. **hairy** ape orange mug
12. **shrill** melody purr whistle
13. **square** circle cube roll
14. **tiny** ant dog horse
15. **strong** paper steel cotton

Selecting Category Member—Three Choices

Mark the word on the right that goes with the category on the left.

- Example: **blue** nut **blueberry** starch
1. **sour** lime candy jam
2. **short** mile highway inch
3. **young** baby antique ancient
4. **fast** worm jet snail
5. **wet** milk cactus blanket
6. **hops** shark weed rabbit
7. **mixed** salt batter ice
8. **turns** page tray vase
9. **fried** cake egg tire
10. **pointed** glass balloon pencil
11. **clear** brick rug glass
12. **large** grain truck paper clip
13. **bumpy** dirt road photo desk top
14. **red** banana tomato broccoli
15. **scented** ice wire perfume

Matching Across Columns

Match the word on the left to its category on the right. The first one is done for you.

basketball player	red
dawn	loud
skunk	arranged
flea	narrow
rock concert	tall
paper towel	cold
turkey	absorbent
window	round
blood	early
baseball	stuffed
alley	crunchy
dill pickle	small
bouquet of flowers	clear
magazine subscription	sour
ice cube	smells bad
potato chip	expires

Matching Across Columns

Match the category on the left to its member on the right. The first one is done for you.

- | | |
|----------------|-------------------|
| red | race car |
| hot | suitcase |
| tied | blood |
| dark | ocean waves |
| fast | bubble |
| peeled | peacock |
| takes practice | night |
| crunchy | table |
| pops | pretzel |
| young | kangaroo |
| packed | infant |
| flat | sun |
| hit | knot |
| colorful | playing the piano |
| wet | tennis ball |
| jumps | banana |

Matching Category to Member

Write the letter of the item on the right next to its category on the left. The first one is done for you.

I deep

A. apple pie

_____ fresh

B. lawn mower

_____ flexible

C. crystal glasses

_____ sweet

D. flamingo

_____ hurts

E. freshly-baked bread

_____ fragile

F. skyscraper

_____ dirty

G. sprained ankle

_____ tall

H. insurance policy

_____ pink

~~I.~~ ocean

_____ expires

J. garden hose

_____ pushed

K. mud puddle

Matching Category to Member

Write the letter of the item on the right next to its category on the left. The first one is done for you.

D chewy

A. puddle

_____ spicy

B. jet taking off

_____ absorbent

C. coal

_____ frozen

~~D~~ gum

_____ shallow

E. ice cream

_____ smooth

F. cracker

_____ crisp

G. chili

_____ sings

H. circus clown

_____ black

I. choir member

_____ funny

J. sponge

_____ loud

K. baby's skin

Locate Similar Category Items

Circle **two** words in each group that are in the same category.

Example: (snow) (ice) heater

- | | | |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1. helicopter | soil | eagle |
| 2. perfume | after-shave | cola |
| 3. milk | skyscraper | redwood tree |
| 4. whisper | mouse squeak | drum |
| 5. snow | peacock | rainbow |
| 6. balloon | stone | volleyball |
| 7. diamonds | popcorn | fur coat |
| 8. quarter | napkin | paper towel |
| 9. licorice | coal | school bus |
| 10. pencil point | plate | nail |
| 11. stone | peanut butter | margarine |
| 12. fire | kennel | sun |
| 13. glue | chewing gum | mine |
| 14. manure | piston | skunk |
| 15. building | grain of sand | ant |

Locate Similar Category Items

Circle **two** words in each group that are in the same category.

Example: (snow)

(ice)

dove

- | | | |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. hair bow | steel bar | knot |
| 2. fly | kangaroo | frog |
| 3. beetle | dice | box |
| 4. sugar | candy bar | burger |
| 5. iron | paste | glue |
| 6. car trunk | football | suitcase |
| 7. sock | newspaper | magazine |
| 8. speeding | stealing | breathing |
| 9. fur coat | tent | cat |
| 10. baby | puppy | watch |
| 11. license | wire cutters | subscription |
| 12. comedian | clown | cheese |
| 13. fish | lemonade | dill pickle |
| 14. stop sign | strawberries | snow |
| 15. siren | whisper | screaming |

Sorting—Four Category Choice

Things that are sweet	Things that are little <i>paper clip</i>
Things that run on electricity	Things that burn

Write these words under their categories. The first one is done for you.

~~paper clip~~

television

wood

sugar

paper

ant

air conditioner

cardboard

candy bar

vacuum

thumbtack

logs

cake

mouse

cookies

newspaper

microwave

pie

grain of sand

coffee maker

thimble

Sorting—Four Category Choice

Things that are loud	Things that are inflated
Things that are sharp <i>RAZOR</i>	Things that are sticky

Write these words under their categories. The first one is done for you.

~~razor~~

air mattress

syrup

screech

glue

tire

knife

molasses

yell

saw

basketball

honey

rock concert

scissors

siren

raft

meat cleaver

horn

paste

sword

balloon

Selecting Category Members

Mark the words in each box that belong to the category.

<p style="text-align: center;">Things that fly</p> <p>airplane wax stone kite hawk ringer radio helicopter bee chair</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Things that break</p> <p>glass steel bar hammer window boulder pencil point paper hearts bones ginger ale</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Things that are large</p> <p>mouse mountain mansion tennis ball fly redwood tree train pebble brick office building</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Things that are baked</p> <p>lettuce pies ice cream hot dog bread cookies cupcakes butter juice pizza</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Things that open and close</p> <p>eye feather knee mouth book joke door crust lamp window</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Things that are peeled</p> <p>apple carton hamburger cauliflower potato orange bun carrot banana spaghetti</p>

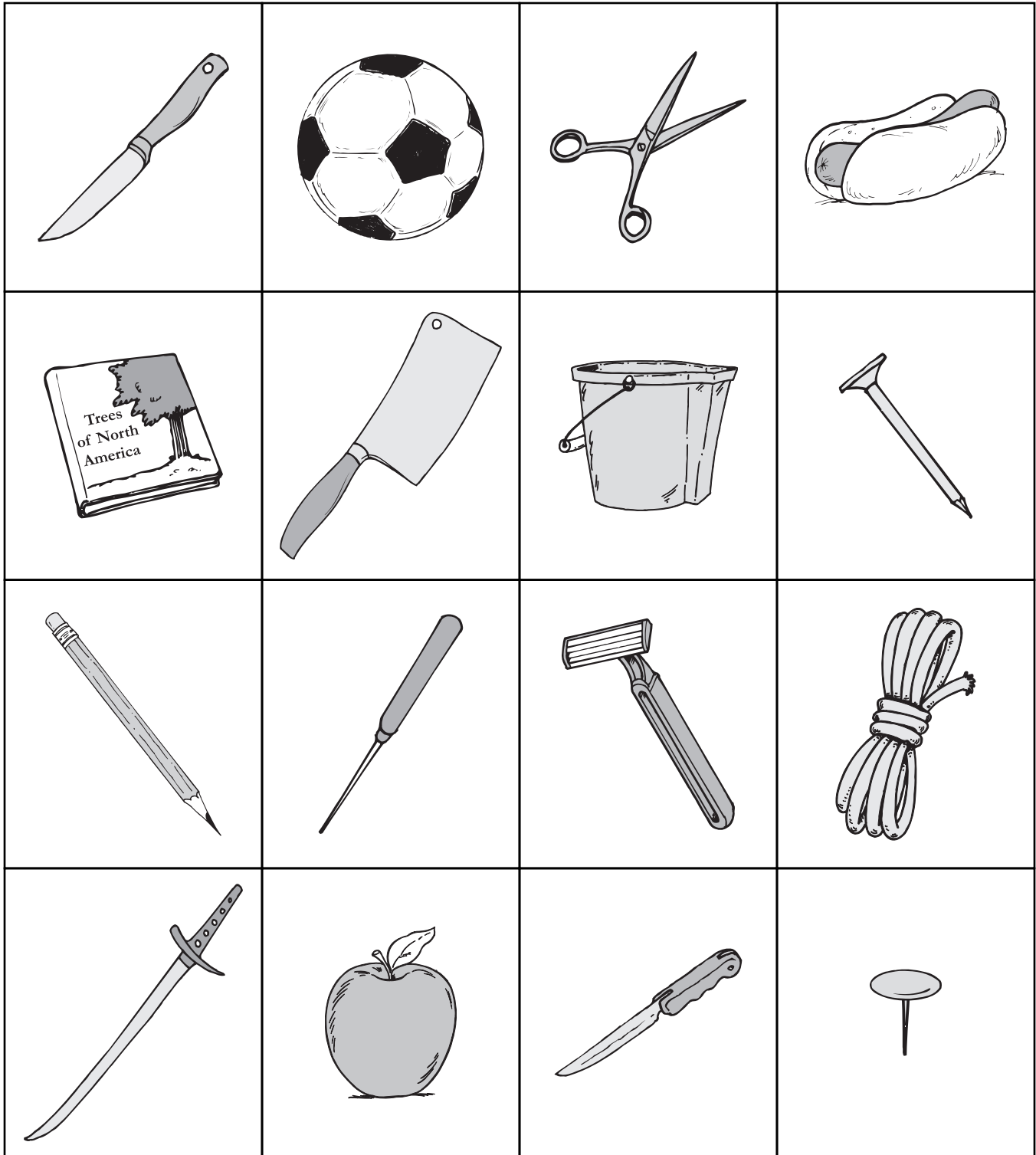
Selecting Category Members

Mark the words in each box that belong to the category.

<p style="text-align: center;">Things that are wet</p> <p>rain powder salt lake dew desert sand bread dog's tongue water flour</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Things that jump</p> <p>snake toad frog worm rabbit bear ant cricket kangaroo pig</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Things that are fast</p> <p>turtle race horse race car snail worm sprinter greyhound molasses slug jet plane</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Things that are lightweight</p> <p>truck refrigerator anchor piece of paper feather twig walrus telephone pole hair stamp</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Things that are flat</p> <p>basketball desk shelf table pipes cup floor book horn spoon</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Things that are turned on</p> <p>lamp branch pencil oven radio TV pouch ostrich ski pole microwave</p>

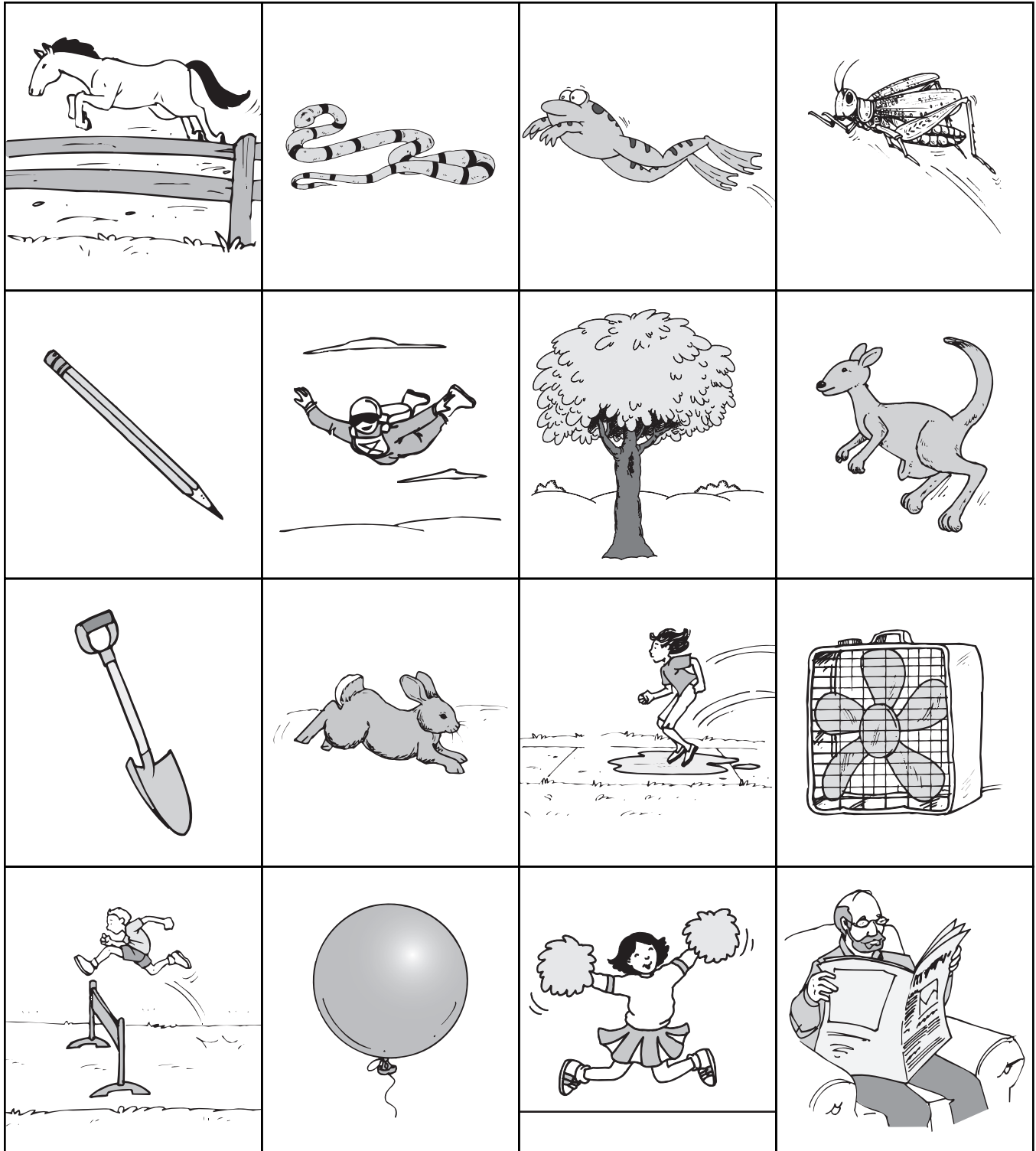
Pictures of Category Items

Mark any picture on this page that shows something **sharp**.



Pictures of Category Items

Mark the ones that are **jumping**.



Locating Items in Sentences

Circle the **soft items** in each sentence. The first one is done for you. There may be more than one answer in each sentence.

1. He let the (ice cream) sit out awhile before serving it.
2. He tucked the blanket around the baby in the crib.
3. She added water to the clay so she could make a pot.
4. His leather coat had a thick fleece lining.
5. She put two pillows and a thick comforter on the bed.
6. Kittens and puppies are playful but they also sleep a lot.
7. The boy liked to feel the mud ooze between his toes.
8. The cotton balls are in the closet next to the tissues.
9. Her cat sat on her lap while she watched TV.
10. He kneaded the bread dough before baking it.
11. There were jellyfish lying on the sand along the water.
12. The scouts toasted marshmallows over the fire.

Locating Items in Sentences

Circle the **people** or **things that swim** in each sentence. The first one is done for you. There may be more than one answer in each sentence.

1. The (children) were doing laps in the swimming pool.
2. The documentary was about seals and walruses.
3. The lifeguard at the beach went on duty at 10:00 AM.
4. The river was teeming with bass and trout.
5. The playful otters loved to go down the waterfall.
6. He trained dolphins and porpoises for the water show.
7. The boys brought home frogs and toads in a bucket.
8. Among the rocks were many sea horses looking for food.
9. They went fishing for flounder in the bay.
10. The sting ray was chasing the turtle.
11. They got on a boat to go whale watching.
12. The deep sea diver saw many species of fish around the reef.

Exclusion—Which Doesn't Belong?

Mark the word that does not belong with the other words.

Example: blood tomato coal fire truck

1. cake batter spaghetti muffin mix dough
2. garlic air freshener perfume roses
3. air mattress tire wallet volleyball
4. jumping running sleeping walking
5. flour powder ashes water
6. ball ice pick pencil nail
7. joke riddle pun napkin
8. cookies lemons sugar taffy
9. mansion mountain mouse yacht
10. snow peacock rainbow flowers
11. wasp crow plane comb
12. new house gold jewelry socks diamonds
13. tissue gravel cotton hair
14. coal tar licorice butterfly
15. ice fire sun matches

Exclusion—Which Doesn't Belong?

Mark the word that does not belong with the other words.

Example: blood tomato coal fire truck

- | | | | |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1. bird | otter | fish | whale |
| 2. spotlight | sun | headlight | cloud |
| 3. towel | foil | sponge | rag |
| 4. cube | ball | box | dice |
| 5. leopard | Dalmatian | volleyball | ladybug |
| 6. soap | skunk | rotten food | pig |
| 7. thumbtack | penny | pill | elephant |
| 8. snow | teeth | dirt | cotton ball |
| 9. pyramid | computer | dinosaur | mummies |
| 10. curtain | bell | telephone | chimes |
| 11. toad | cricket | shark | kangaroo |
| 12. carrot | flamingo | orange | pumpkin |
| 13. ice cream | chili | tacos | spaghetti sauce |
| 14. pillow | baby's skin | cotton | pipes |
| 15. oatmeal | mud | water | pudding |

Name Category from Example ---

Name a quality of each of item. The first one is done for you.

1. lemon: sour
2. window: _____
3. ruler: _____
4. skunk: _____
5. mirror: _____
6. water: _____
7. bone: _____
8. pillow: _____
9. door: _____
10. coal: _____
11. gold: _____
12. jet plane: _____
13. snow: _____
14. grass: _____
15. towel: _____
16. potato chip: _____

Name Category from Example _____

Name a quality of each of item. The first one is done for you.

1. lemon: sour
2. ice cream: _____
3. hair: _____
4. tree: _____
5. cotton: _____
6. potato: _____
7. light bulb: _____
8. fire: _____
9. balloon: _____
10. tomato: _____
11. match: _____
12. sponge: _____
13. mouse: _____
14. leaf: _____
15. brick: _____
16. drinking glass: _____

Provide a Category Member Given First Letter —

Name an item using the given letter. The first one is done for you.

1. Name something **soft** that begins with **H**. hair
2. Name something **large** that begins with **T**. _____
3. Name something **sharp** that begins with **K**. _____
4. Name something **inflated** that begins with **B**. _____
5. Name something that **smells good** that begins with **P**. _____
6. Name something **loud** that begins with **S**. _____
7. Name something **creamy** that begins with **P**. _____
8. Name something **tied** that begins with **K**. _____
9. Name something that **rips** that begins with **P**. _____
10. Name something **bright** that begins with **L**. _____
11. Name something **wet** that begins with **W**. _____
12. Name something **funny** that begins with **J**. _____
13. Name something **small** that begins with **M**. _____
14. Name something **white** that begins with **S**. _____
15. Name something **round** that begins with **B**. _____
16. Name something **straight** that begins with **R**. _____

Provide a Category Member Given First Letter —

Name an item using the given letter. The first one is done for you.

1. Name something **soft** that begins with **H**. hair
2. Name something that **pops** that begins with **B**. _____
3. Name something that **jumps** that begins with **F**. _____
4. Name something that **barks** that begins with **D**. _____
5. Name something **warm** that begins with **C**. _____
6. Name something **smooth** that begins with **G**. _____
7. Name something **large** that begins with **M**. _____
8. Name something that **flies** that begins with **B**. _____
9. Name something that **swims** that begins with **F**. _____
10. Name something **absorbent** that begins with **S**. _____
11. Name something **green** that begins with **G**. _____
12. Name something **cold** that begins with **I**. _____
13. Name something **salty** that begins with **P**. _____
14. Name something that **reflects** that begins with **M**. _____
15. Name something **thrown** that begins with **B**. _____
16. Name something **red** that begins with **T**. _____

Name Category from List of Members _____

Name the quality the items have in common.

Example: grass, lime, lettuce: green

1. ice, snow, sherbet: _____
2. polished metal, new coins, waxed car: _____
3. cotton, baby's skin, pillow: _____
4. knife, razor, scissors: _____
5. raft, balloon, basketball: _____
6. lemon, banana, sun: _____
7. tabletop, glass, clean-shaven face: _____
8. anchor, boat with a hole, stone: _____
9. turtle, slug, worm: _____
10. paper, wood, match: _____
11. pebble, flea, grain of sand: _____
12. cake batter, cookie dough, muffin mix: _____
13. new house, diamonds, gold jewelry: _____
14. dinner plate, ball, globe: _____
15. doorknob, pages, steering wheel: _____

Name Category from List of Members _____

Name the quality the items have in common.

Example: grass, lime, lettuce: green

1. glue, adhesive, tape: _____
2. fire, heat, sun: _____
3. airplane, bird, kite: _____
4. skunk, rotten food, dirty socks: _____
5. boat, raft, buoy: _____
6. lettuce, cracker, pretzel: _____
7. unshaven face, gravel road, sandpaper: _____
8. race car, sprinter, jet: _____
9. snow, vanilla ice cream, teeth: _____
10. sea water, potato chip, pretzel: _____
11. wheelbarrow, lawn mower, baby carriage: _____
12. screaming, rock concert, playground: _____
13. sugar, chocolate bar, cake: _____
14. book, magazine, newspaper: _____
15. crystal glasses, windows, pencil points: _____

Complete the List

Complete the list with a similar item.

Example: concrete, hard candy, rock, *steel* _____

1. helicopter, kite, crow, _____
2. blood, radish, tomato, _____
3. barking dog, crying baby, police siren, _____
4. pin, thumbtack, nail, _____
5. sea water, ham, pretzels, _____
6. stove, iron, fire, _____
7. elephant, building, mountain, _____
8. marshmallow, baby's skin, tissue, _____
9. sugar, pie, honey, _____
10. paper towel, mop, rag, _____
11. ice cream, snow, iced tea, _____
12. popcorn, balloon, bubble, _____
13. perfume, freshly-baked bread, after-shave, _____
14. grasshopper, frog, kangaroo, _____
15. taffy, tough meat, gumdrops, _____

Fill In Letters for Things To Read

Fill in the missing letters for these things we read. Each item has a clue to help you.

Example: a notice about something for sale: advertisement

1. has many pages that tell a story: b__ __ k
2. a weekly or monthly publication: ma __ a__ ine
3. information on a can, bottle, etc.: labe __
4. sent when on vacation: __ ostca __ d
5. written and mailed in an envelope: le__ te __
6. a long book about people and events: n__vel
7. instructions for how to do something: dire __ tio __ s
8. a message sent through the computer: e-m __ il
9. tells you how to cook something: re__ipe
10. gives you the meanings of words: dic __ ion __ ry
11. gives a discount on the price: co __ pon
12. gives daily news, sports info, etc.: ne __ spa __ er
13. these tell you how much you owe: bi __ ls
14. short for the word *memorandum*: me __ o
15. a written reminder or a short letter: not __

Listing Location Items

List **five** things that can be found in each location.

**Inexpensive things
in a drugstore**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

**Sweet things
in a bakery**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

**Things in a pet store
that grow**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

**Large things
at a circus**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Listing Location Items

List **five** things that can be found in each location.

**Baked things
in a restaurant**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

**Things that keep you
warm in the winter**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

**Things in a house
that can break**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

**Small things in a
department store**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Listing Category Items

State _____ members in each category.

1. things that are cold
2. things that are soft
3. things that are sharp
4. things that are green
5. things that are smooth
6. things that sink
7. things that are sour
8. things that move slowly
9. things that are wet
10. things that burn
11. things that are small
12. things that are mixed
13. things that are spicy
14. things that are heavy
15. things that are tall
16. things that are round
17. things that lock
18. things that grow
19. things that fly
20. things that are pointed
21. things that are white
22. things that are frozen
23. things that smell good
24. things that are loud
25. things that are absorbent
26. things that are chewy
27. things that break
28. things that are colorful
29. things that are flat
30. things that pop

Listing Category Items

State _____ members in each category.

1. things that are hot
2. things that are hard
3. things that are inflated
4. things that are stuffed
5. things that are red
6. things that are rough
7. things that float
8. things that move fast
9. things that are dry
10. things that are turned on
11. things that are large
12. things that are ripped
13. things that are lightweight
14. things that are bright
15. things that are expensive
16. things that turn
17. things that open and close
18. things that have hair or fur
19. things that are renewed
20. things that are crisp
21. things are black
22. things that are noisy
23. things that smell bad
24. things that are damp
25. things that are spotted
26. things that are round
27. things that are sticky
28. things that are thrown
29. things that are salty
30. things that are sweet

Answer Key

The most likely answers are listed. Accept other logical, appropriate answers as correct.

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Screening

- breaks
- desert
- smells good—rose
bright—spotlight
hot—heater
smooth—glass
- tissue, sponge
- kite, wasp, eagle, spaceship,
airplane
- paper
- snow, socks
- elephant, concrete block
- peas, green beans, leaves, lettuce,
weeds

page 7

- bends
- short
- burns
- hoots
- yellow
- thrown
- hard
- sweet
- slow
- funny
- small
- round
- smart
- loud
- wet

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- long
- inflated
- jumps
- old
- turns
- flies
- reflects
- bright
- crisp
- orange
- rough
- floats
- large
- grows
- soft

page 9

- ice
- river
- knife
- grass

- license
- eye blink
- clothing
- rainbow
- ruler
- glue
- ape
- whistle
- cube
- ant
- steel

page 10

- lime
- inch
- baby
- jet
- milk
- rabbit
- batter
- page
- egg
- pencil
- glass
- truck
- dirt road
- tomato
- perfume

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- dawn—early
skunk—smells bad
flea—small
rock concert—loud
paper towel—absorbent
turkey—stuffed
window—clear
blood—red
baseball—round
alley—narrow
dill pickle—sour
bouquet of flowers—arranged
subscription—expires
ice cube—cold
potato chip—crunchy

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- hot—sun
tied—knot
dark—night
fast—race car
peeled—banana
takes practice—playing the piano
crunchy—pretzel
pops—bubble
young—infant

- packed—suitcase
flat—table
hit—tennis ball
colorful—peacock
wet—ocean waves
jumps—kangaroo

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- E fresh
J flexible
A sweet
G hurts
C fragile
K dirty
F tall
D pink
H expires
B pushed

page 14

- G spicy
J absorbent
E frozen
A shallow
K smooth
F crisp
I sings
C black
H funny
B loud

page 15

- helicopter, eagle
- perfume, after-shave
- skyscraper, redwood tree
- whisper, mouse squeak
- peacock, rainbow
- balloon, volleyball
- diamonds, fur coat
- napkin, paper towel
- licorice, coal
- pencil point, nail
- peanut butter, margarine
- fire, sun
- glue, chewing gum
- manure, skunk
- grain of sand, ant

page 16

- hair bow, knot
- kangaroo, frog
- dice, box
- sugar, candy bar
- paste, glue
- car trunk, suitcase
- newspaper, magazine
- speeding, stealing

- fur coat, cat
- baby, puppy
- license, subscription
- comedian, clown
- lemonade, dill pickle
- stop sign, strawberries
- siren, screaming

page 17

- sweet:** sugar, candy bar, cake,
cookies, pie
little: ant, thumbtack, mouse,
grain of sand, thimble
electricity: television,
air conditioner,
vacuum,
microwave,
coffee maker
burn: wood, paper,
cardboard, logs,
newspaper

page 18

- loud:** screech, yell, rock
concert, siren, horn
inflated: air mattress, tire,
basketball, raft,
balloon
sharp: knife, saw, scissors,
meat cleaver, sword
sticky: syrup, glue, molasses,
honey, paste

page 19

- fly:** airplane, hawk, bee, kite,
helicopter
break: glass, bones, window,
pencil point, hearts
large: mansion, train,
mountain, redwood
tree, office building
baked: bread, cupcakes, pies,
cookies, pizza
open/close: eye, book, door,
mouth, window
peeled: apple, potato, banana,
orange, carrot

page 20

- wet:** rain, dew, water, lake,
dog's tongue
jump: frog, rabbit, kangaroo,
toad, cricket
fast: race car, greyhound,
race horse, sprinter,
jet plane

Answer Key, *continued*

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lightweight: feather, hair, piece
of paper, twig, stamp

flat: shelf, floor, desk, table, book

turned on: lamp, radio, oven,
TV, microwave

page 21

steak knife, scissors, meat cleaver,
nail, pencil, ice pick, razor, sword,
pocketknife, thumbtack

page 22

horse, frog, grasshopper, skydiver,
kangaroo, rabbit, girl jumping in
puddle, hurdler, cheerleader

page 23

- blanket, baby
- clay
- fleece lining
- pillows, comforter
- kittens, puppies
- mud
- cotton balls, tissues
- cat, lap
- bread dough
- jellyfish, sand
- marshmallows

page 24

- seals, walrus
- lifeguard
- bass, trout
- otters
- dolphins, porpoises
- boys, frogs, toads
- sea horses
- flounder
- sting ray, turtle
- whale
- deep sea diver, fish

page 25

- spaghetti
- garlic
- wallet
- sleeping
- water
- ball
- napkin
- lemons
- mouse
- snow
- comb
- socks
- gravel
- butterfly
- ice

page 26

- bird
- cloud
- foil
- ball
- volleyball
- soap
- elephant
- dirt
- computer
- curtain
- shark
- flamingo
- ice cream
- pipes
- water

page 27

- clear, breakable
- straight
- smells bad
- reflects
- wet
- breakable
- soft
- opens/closes
- black
- expensive, soft
- fast, loud
- white, cold
- green
- absorbent
- salty, crunchy

page 28

- cold, soft
- soft, lightweight
- tall
- soft
- crisp, salty
- bright, breakable
- hot
- inflated, round
- red, round
- burns, hot
- absorbent
- small, white, gray
- green, lightweight
- hard, rectangular
- breakable, clear

page 29

- truck, train
- knife
- balloon, ball
- perfume, popcorn
- scream, shout, siren
- peanut butter, pudding

- knot
- paper, pants
- light, lamp
- water
- joke
- mouse, mosquito
- snow, socks
- ball, bubble, button,
balloon
- ruler

page 30

- balloon, bubble
- frog
- dog
- coat, cocoa
- glass
- mountain, mansion
- bird, bee, beetle
- fish, flounder
- sponge
- grass
- ice, ice cream
- pretzels, popcorn
- mirror
- ball
- tomato

page 31

- cold
- shiny
- soft
- sharp
- inflated
- yellow
- smooth
- sink
- slow
- burn
- small
- mixed
- expensive
- round
- turn

page 32

- sticky
- hot
- fly
- smell bad
- float
- crisp, crunchy
- rough
- fast
- white
- salty
- pushed
- loud

- sweet
- read
- breakable

page 33

- airplane, bee, wasp, bird
- stop sign, ketchup, apple
- screaming, jet plane
- screw, pencil
- potato chips, popcorn
- sun, heater
- truck, redwood tree
- pillow, cotton
- cake, cookies, candy
- sponge, towel
- ice, sherbet
- bubble wrap, tire, Rice Krispies
- flowers, soap
- rabbit, toad
- gum, mozzarella

page 34

- book
- magazine
- label
- postcard
- letter
- novel
- directions
- e-mail
- recipe
- dictionary
- coupon
- newspaper
- bills
- memo
- note

page 35

drugstore: magazines, cards, candy,
gum, aspirin

bakery: cakes, cookies, pies,
doughnuts, brownies

pet store: puppies, kittens, fish,
hamsters, fish tank plants

circus: elephant, tent, lion cage,
bleachers, merry-go-round

page 36

restaurant: bread, lasagna, turkey,
potatoes, cake

winter: coat, sweater, fire, blanket,
hot drink

house: glasses, light bulb, window,
jars, pencils

department store: jewelry, toys, pens,
bottles, cups

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Answers will vary.