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Introduction

About the Build-a-Skill Instant Books Series

The *Build-a-Skill Instant Books* series features a variety of reproducible instant books that focus on important reading and math skills covered in the primary classroom. Each instant book is easy to make, and once children become familiar with the basic formats that appear throughout the series, they will be able to make new books with little help. Children will love the unique, manipulative quality of the books and will want to read them over and over again as they gain mastery of basic learning skills!



About the Build-a-Skill Instant Books: Synonyms and Antonyms

This book features commonly used and easy-to-read synonyms and antonyms in fun and easy-to-make instant books. Children will develop fine motor skills and practice following directions as they cut, fold, and staple the reproducible pages together to make flip books, strip books, mini books, and more! As children read and reread their instant books, they will improve their understanding of synonyms and antonyms, and increase their vocabulary.



Refer to the Table of Contents to help with lesson planning. Choose instant book activities that fit with current curriculum goals in your regular or ELL classroom. Use the instant books to practice skills or introduce new ones. Directions for making the instant books appear on pages 3 and 4. These should be copied and sent along with the book patterns when assigning a bookmaking activity as homework.

Synonym Strip Book

Words That Mean the Same

Another word for **big** is _____.

Another word for **ill** is _____.

1

Another word for **laugh** is _____.

Another word for **fast** is _____.

2

Another word for **hot** is _____.

Another word for **sport** is _____.

3

Another word for **cool** is _____.

Synonyms are words that mean the same!

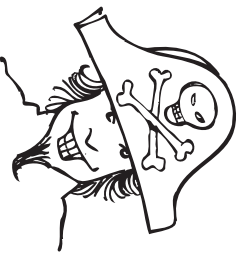
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quick giggle warm cold game sick large

Synonym Mini Book

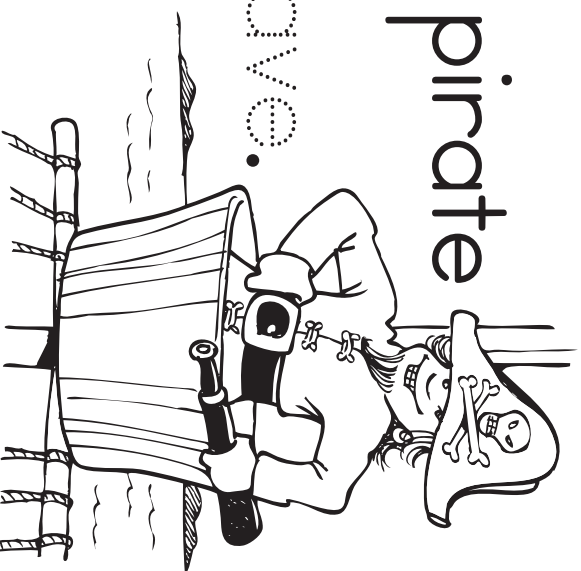
Courageous Pirates

_____ 's Book



1

This pirate
is brave.



2

This pirate

is bold.



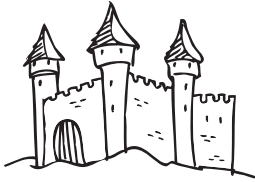
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This pirate is
daring. He found
the gold!

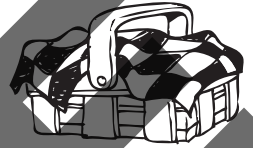


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Antonym Strip Book



Storybook Opposites



1

Granny was _____.

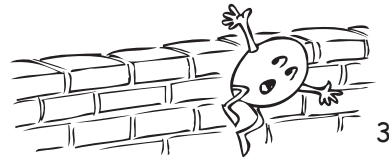
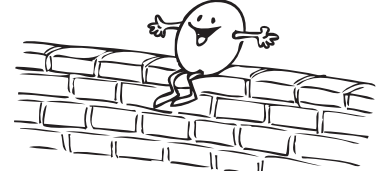
The wolf was _____.



2

Humpty sat _____ a wall.

Humpty fell _____ a wall.



3

The goats went _____ the bridge.

The troll sat _____ it.



4

over

mean

on

under

nice

off

Antonym Mini Book



The Race



The hare is fast.

The tortoise is _____ 1



The hare loses.

The tortoise _____ 3



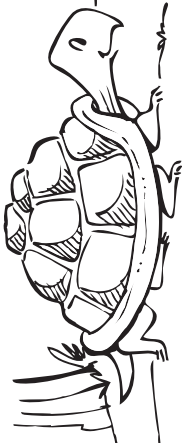
The hare will stop.

The tortoise will _____ 2



The hare frowns.

The tortoise _____ 4



wins

slow

grins

go