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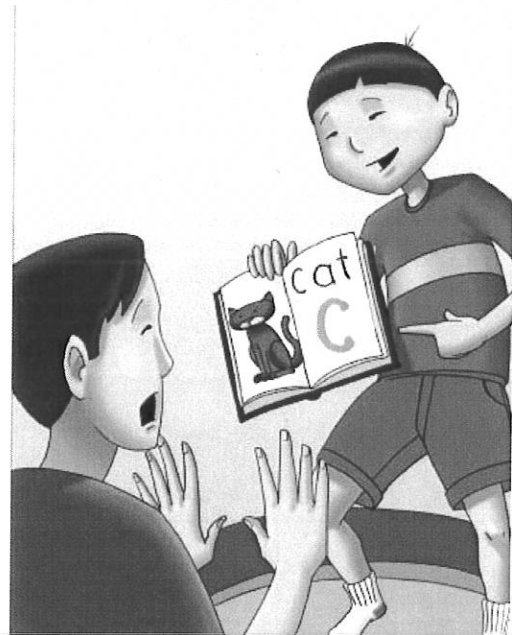


Zack Gets a Pet

"Can I get a cat?" Zack asks.

Dad tells Zack, "No cats!

Cats run up trees and can't get back"



"Can I get a rat?" Zack asks.

Mom adds, "No, no! No rats!"

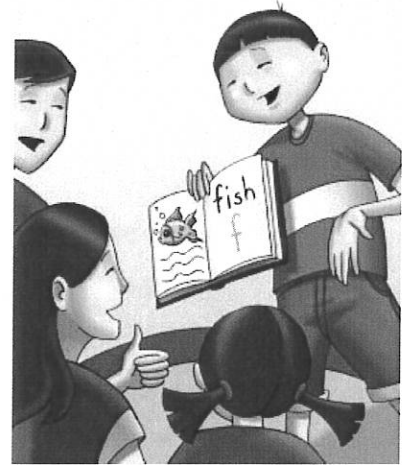
"Rats smell bad."



"Can I get a bug?" Zack asks.
Ann tells Zack, "No, no! A bug is
not a pet!"



"Can I get a fish?" Zack asks.
"A fish?" his mom asks.
"A fish is not so bad.
Can a fish be a fun pet?"
Dad nods and Ann shrugs.
"Can I get one, then?" Zack asks.
Mom nods.
"Yes!" yells Zack.



Zack runs to the pet shop.
"Can I get that fish?" Zack asks.
"This one?" the pet shop man asks.
Zack nods.
"This one costs six bucks."
Zack hands the man the cash.
Then Zack runs to Mom and Dad with his
pet fish.



Zack Gets a Pet

1. Why can't Zack get a cat?

- ☐ Cats smell bad.
- ☐ Cats run up trees.
- ☐ A cat is not a pet.

2. Why can't Zack get a bug?

- ☐ Bugs run up trees.
- ☐ Bugs smell bad.
- ☐ A bug is not a pet.

3. Where did Zack get his fish?

Directions: Have students reread the story and answer the questions.

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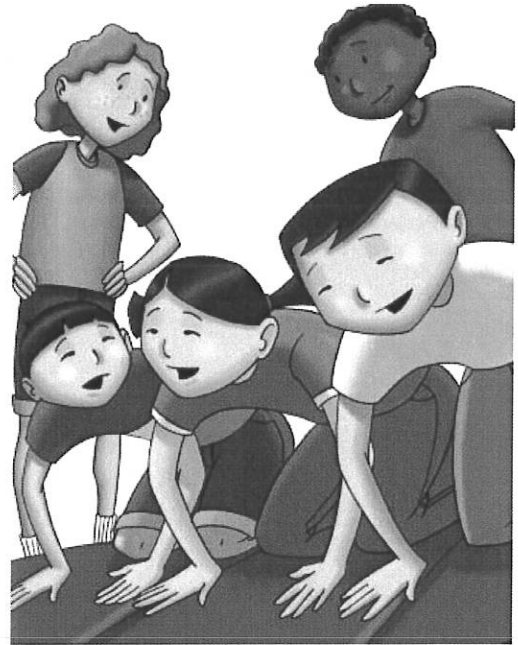
On the Mat

Zack and Ann had fun on a mat.

Zack got on the mat.

Then Ann got on next to Zack.

Then Quinn got on next to Ann.



Nell got up on top of Zack and Ann.

Rod got up on top of Ann and Quinn.

Then Ed got up on the tip top.

It was so much fun!



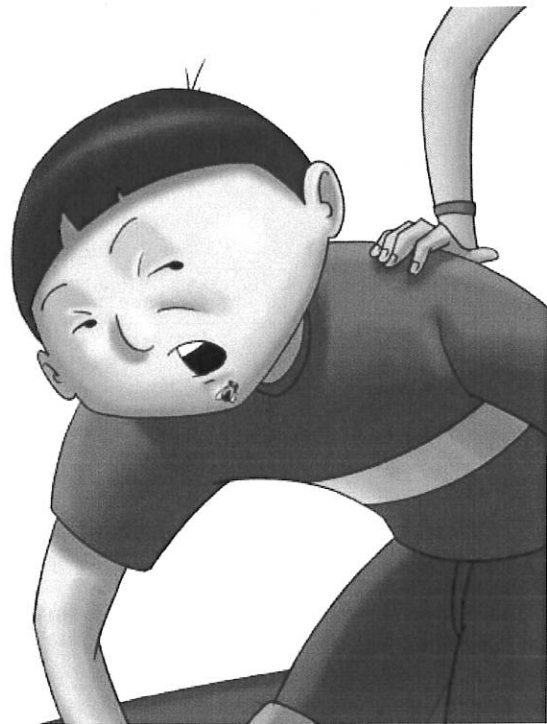
Then, buzz, buzz!

What was that?

It was a bug.

The bug was on Zack's chin.

Zack went to smack the bug.



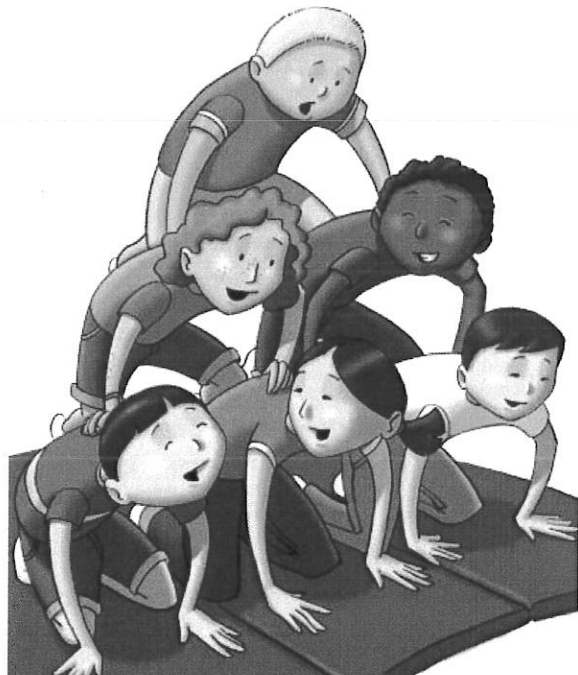
Flop!

Zack fell flat on the mat.

Nell fell on top of Zack.

Then all the rest of the kids fell.

It was a big mess.



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On the Mat

1. What did the kids get on?

2. Where was Ed?

Directions: Have students reread the story and answer the questions.

3. Why did Zack slip?

- ☐ Zack went to smack a bug.
- ☐ Zack felt sick.
- ☐ Zack's hand was wet.

Directions: In the box, have students illustrate a part of the story and then write a caption below.

