## Centers

## Materials

## Creative Arts



## Sorting Beautiful Stuff:

- clear plastic containers
- trays
- recycled and natural materials
- paper for labels
- scissors
- tape
- writing utensils (markers, crayons, pencils)


## Collaborative Painting:

- easel
- large paper
- tempera paint (red, blue, yellow, black, and white)
- paint cups
- brushes of different sizes
- smocks
- containers for water
- palette for mixing colors
- Q-tips, cotton balls, sponges (as alternative painting tools)

Blocks


Transporting Food:

- The Little Red Hen (Makes a Pizza)
- The Journey of Rice
- Markets Around the World
- Road Builders
- unit blocks
- cardboard boxes
- paper
- crayon
- scissors
- clear tape
- masking tape
- paint
- paintbrushes
- modeling clay
- LEGOs
- tablet/laptop
- photos of fruits, vegetables, meat, and other grocery items (see Resource)
- toy trucks and vehicles

Dramatic Play


## Grocery Store:

- large paper and writing utensils
- shelves or kitchen furniture
- paper
- scissors
- crayons
- markers
- empty food containers (cereal boxes, pasta boxes, cans, etc.)
- play food
- containers
- shopping baskets
- paper bags
- cash register
- The Little Red Hen (Makes a Pizza)
- Markets Around the World


## Science



## Roads and Sidewalks:

- sand
- small construction vehicles
(dump trucks, bulldozers, cement mixer, backhoe, etc.)
- small shovels
- spoons
- spray bottle with water
- clipboards
- markers
- smocks
- Road Builders
- images (see Resource)

Library and Listening


Researching Recipes, Cookbooks, and Menus:

- The Little Red Hen (Makes a Pizza)
- Hooray, a Piñata!
- cookbooks
- tablet, laptop, and/or smart phone
- recipe cards
- recipe box
- clipboards with paper
- pencils
- crayons
- child-made recipe books
- icons for food and cooking utensils and/or images of food and cooking utensils (see Resource)
- alphabet chart
- stapler
- glue sticks
- clear tape
- sample menu


## Puzzles

(Manipulatives)


## Classroom Friends' Puzzles:

- A Letter to Amy
- The Little Red Hen (Makes a Pizza)
- poster or tag board
- laminated photographs of children in the classroom
- zip-closure plastic bags
- basket or box to store puzzles
- trays


## Sorting Objects into Groups:

- The Little Red Hen (Makes a Pizza)
- a variety of small objects, such as buttons, recycled materials, and math counters
- number cards with numerals
- number cards with numerals and dots
- small containers or bowls
- paper plates
- pencils
- markers
- blank cards
- large tray
- small baskets or containers for cards


## Creative Writing



## Documenting a Process:

- How to Make a Paper Airplane (from Unit 1)
- The Little Red Hen (Makes a Pizza)
- digital camera
- pre-stapled blank books
- drawing paper
- crayons
- markers
- children's name cards
- chart paper
- alphabet chart
- word cards with basic sequence words (first, next, last)


## Small Groups Materials

| Independent | Vocabulary Picture Card Memory: <br> - Unit 2 books <br> - three (3) sets of laminated vocabulary picture cards (see Resource) |
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| Medium Support | Making Lemonade: <br> - Matthew and Tilly <br> - small plastic bowls <br> - large pitcher <br> - four (4) lemons <br> - long-handled spoon <br> - smaller pitchers <br> - plastic spoons <br> - plastic knives <br> - small paper cups <br> - paper plates <br> - craft sticks <br> - paper towels <br> - plastic juice squeezer, if available <br> - sweetener (sugar, honey, syrup) |
| High Support | Piñata Papier Mâché: <br> - flour <br> - smocks <br> - gloves <br> - warm water <br> - newspaper cut into 1.5 to 2-inch strips <br> - shallow trays <br> - bowls <br> - balloons |

## Materials

Read Alouds


- Dandelion, vocabulary picture cards
- Matthew and Tilly, vocabulary picture cards
- Hooray, a Piñata!, vocabulary picture cards


## SWPL Clipboard Directions


"Mix a Pancake" (Those Words Begin with the Same Sound): poetry poster
"The More We Get Together": song lyrics
"Come On and Join In the Game": song lyrics
I'm Thinking of $\qquad$ Word Clue Game: A Letter to Amy, picture
cards (candles, envelope, parrot)
"Five Little Owls in an Old Elm Tree": poetry poster
"Clap, Clap, Clap Your Hands": song lyrics
"What are You Wearing?": song lyrics
Dazzling Diggers (Those Words Rhyme): book
"Five Green and Speckled Frogs": flannel board and pieces (2 extra frogs needed)

If Your Name Starts with (First Sound in Child's Name), Raise Your Hand
"Six Little Ducks": (Can You Think of Words That Rhyme With $\qquad$ ?): song lyrics

## I'm Thinking of

$\qquad$ Word Clue Game: Matthew and Tilly, Dandelion; picture cards (bike, crayon, zebra, giraffe)
"Five Juicy Apples": poetry poster
Story-Character "Bingo" (We Can Change It and Rearrange It): Matthew and Tilly, flannel letters (T, I, L, L, Y, M, S), card with TILLY written on it
"Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes": song lyrics
"Three Little Monkeys" (Can You Think of Words that Rhyme with $\qquad$ ?): poetry poster

If Your Name Starts with $\qquad$ , Raise Your Hand: uppercase letter cards
"If You're Happy": song lyrics
"Old MacDonald Had a Farm (Zoo)": flannel board and pieces (zoo animals) or zoo book

Hush! (Can You Think of Words That Rhyme With $\qquad$ ?): book

## Advertising Signs:

- Markets Around the World
- The Journey of Rice
- images of advertisements (see Resource)
- sample grocery store circular
- paper
- drawing utensils (crayons or markers)


## Loveys:

- Hooray, a Piñata!
- Golden Bear
- images of loveys (see Resource)
- examples of objects used as loveys (blankets, teddy bears, etc.)


## Barbershop:

- Dandelion
- images of barbershops and salons (see Resource)
- examples of items that might be found in a barbershop/salon (combs, scissors, shaving cup and brush, barber cape, etc.)

Materials: Block People (Set Up for Success)

## Materials

| Hands-on Math Center | Compare Game: <br> - counting cards <br> Get Just Enough: <br> - paintbrushes <br> - cups <br> - plastic bottles and tops <br> - small boxes <br> - toy cars <br> - sauces <br> Find the Number: <br> - dark container <br> - counters <br> - paper plates <br> - numeral cards <br> Places Scenes: <br> - counters <br> - numeral cards <br> - Places Scenes (see Building Blocks: Teacher's Resource Guide) <br> Pizza Game: <br> - round counters <br> - number cube <br> - paper plates |
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| Small Group | Number Jump: <br> - numeral cards <br> Number Race: <br> - game board <br> - game pieces <br> - number cube |
| Large Group | Number Jump: numeral cards <br> Listen and Count: <br> Blueberries for Sal by Robert McCloskey, can, marbles <br> Where's My Number?: numeral cards |
| Literature Connections | Feast for 1 by Cathryn Falwell <br> Fiesta by Ginger Foglesong <br> Miss Spider's Tea Party by David Kirk <br> Uno, Dos, Tres: One, Two, Three by Pat Mora <br> One Hungry Monster: A Counting Book in Rhyme by Susan Heyboer O'Keefe |

