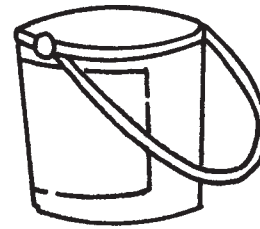


The Storekeepers



Kate and Terry were at the counter in their mom’s _____ 10
 paint store when two ladies came in. “I’ll be out _____ 20
 soon!” shouted Mom from the back. _____ 26

“We can help you,” said the girls. _____ 33

“I need some cans of paint,” said one of the ladies. _____ 44



“We have hundreds of paint _____ 49
 colors,” the girls said. “We can _____ 55
 help you choose. You’ll also need _____ 61
 brushes. We have lots of sizes. _____ 67
 You’ll want cloths, and one _____ 72
 of those tubs of putty.” _____ 77

Soon, the ladies had three piles of things. Just then, _____ 87
 Mom came out. “I’m sorry,” she said, frowning. _____ 95

“My children know that only grown-ups should help _____ 104
 customers.” _____ 105

“They have been wonderful!” the ladies said, and _____ 113
 they gave the girls each fifty cents. _____ 120



Winter Peaches

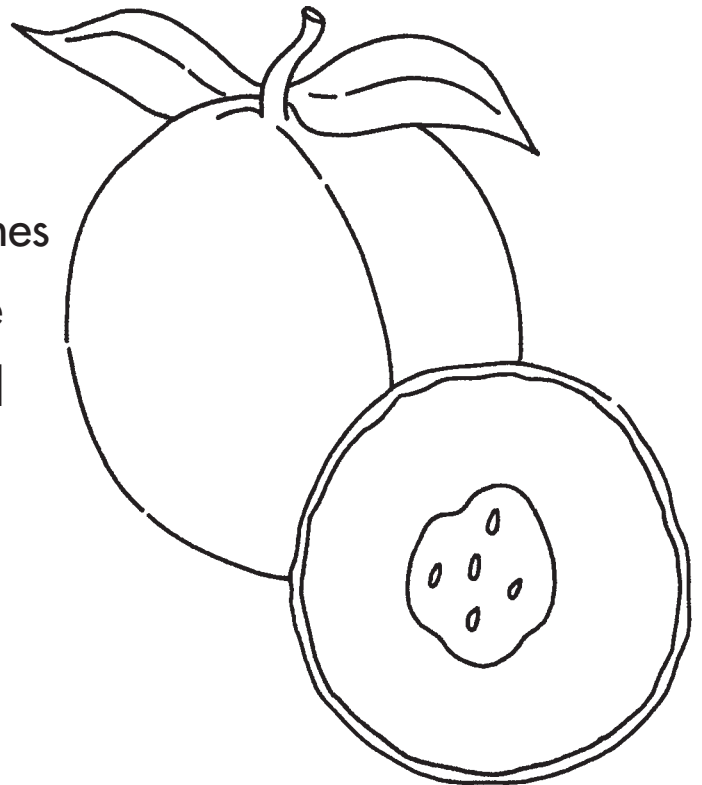


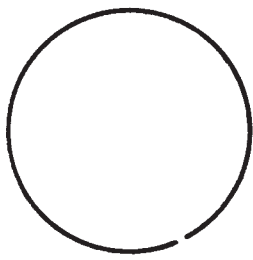
Did you ever wonder how you can get fruits like peaches, tomatoes, and strawberries in winter?

Farmers grow fruits in warm places, such as Florida or California. Some fruits grow in other countries, such as Mexico. These places have warm days all year around.

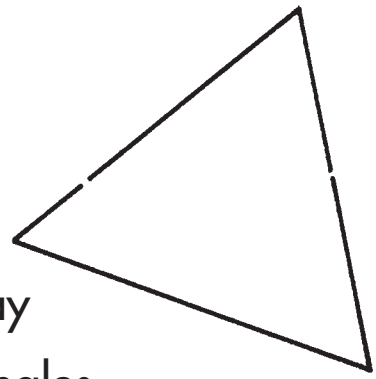
Farmers pick the fruits before they are ripe. The hard fruits won't get as many bruises and scratches as soft, ripe fruits might. Workers then pack the fruits in crates. The crates are loaded into trucks. Some are loaded on planes or ships.

The fruits are sent to stores around the country. Sometimes the fruits get ripe during the trip. Other times, you should wait a day or so to let them get ripe. Tasty!





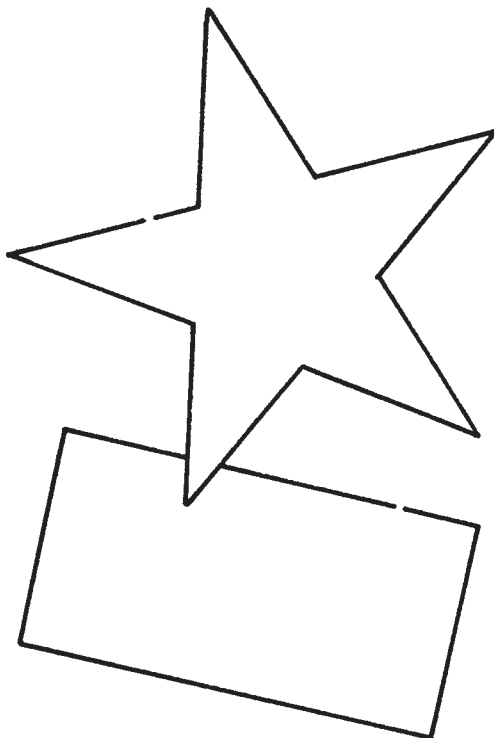
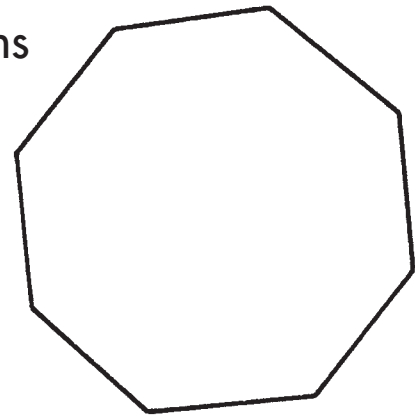
Shape Names



How many shapes can you name? You may know circles, squares, triangles, and rectangles.

The names of shapes often tell you the number of sides they have. The word part *tri* in triangle means “three.”

The word part *hexa* means “six.” Shapes with six sides are hexagons. The word part *octa* means “eight.” What do you think you might call a shape with eight sides? Shapes with eight sides, such as stop signs, are octagons.



There is even a word that means “a shape with many angles.” The word part *poly* means “many.” A polygon is any shape with many sides. Squares, rectangles, triangles, hexagons, and octagons are all polygons. But circles are not. Why?