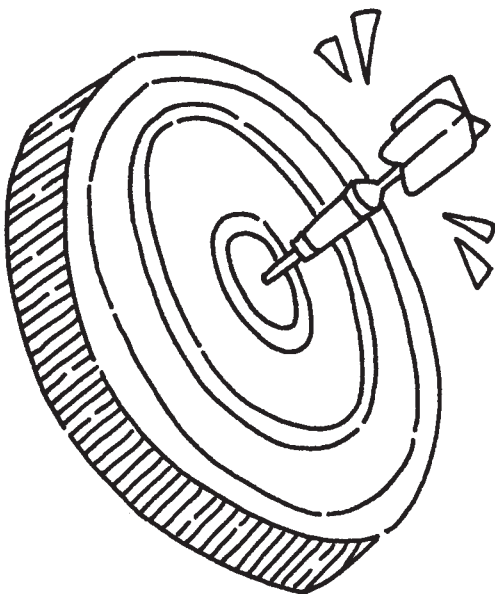


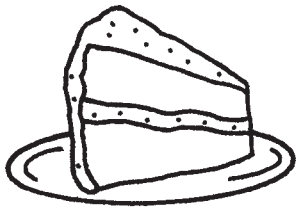
Bobby's Darts

Bobby's family disapproved of his _____ 5
 hobby of dart throwing. His darts caused _____ 12
 his sisters great discomfort. They would run away _____ 20
 whenever he practiced. He disturbed his mom as _____ 28
 well by knocking over her best potted plant. Finally, _____ 37
 his mom said, "From now on throwing darts inside _____ 46
 is disallowed. It is too risky." She gave him a huge _____ 57
 bull's-eye to practice on and sent him outside. _____ 65

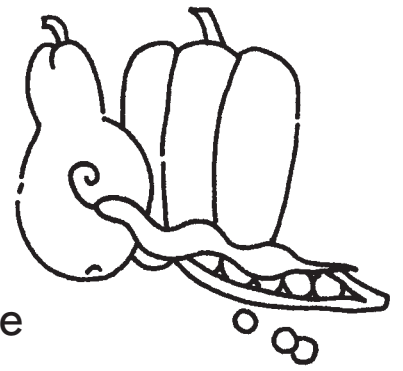
Not being one to disobey his mom's wishes, Bobby _____ 74
 did as he was told. His first throws missed by a mile, _____ 86
 and he was disgusted with his aim. But Bobby did _____ 96

not get discouraged. He kept _____ 101
 practicing until he could hit _____ 106
 the middle of the target each _____ 112
 time. Before long, Bobby _____ 116
 became a dart-throwing _____ 119
 champ, and his family was _____ 124
 very proud of him. _____ 128





Dirk's Food Group

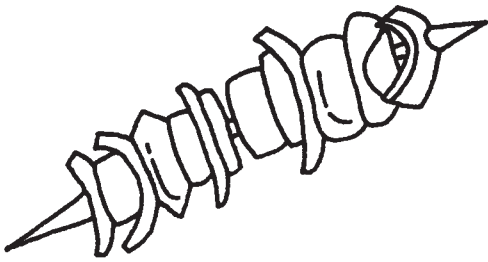


Dirk disliked any foods that were green. He distrusted green peppers, spinach, and string beans. Peas, pears, and even limes displeased him. He made faces displaying disgust every time he saw green food. He said, "Green foods taste grassy. It's like I'm eating the yard. I would rather eat brown foods, such as steak with brown gravy, and chocolate cake."



Dirk's mom disapproved. She said, "Give green foods a try. They'll make you strong."

Dirk disagreed, but he did not disobey. He discovered a way to change green foods to brown. He mashed peas with ketchup and mustard. He mixed chopped spinach with butterscotch pudding. He disguised every green food so that it would look brown. And as the green food disappeared, Dirk gulped the brown food down.



Discover Words

Many of our words come from distant places. For example, *shish kabob* comes from Turkey and means “meat chunks cooked on a skewer.”

Some words come from names. You may have a Teddy bear that you love, even if it has become old and discolored. Did you know Teddy bears are named after President Teddy Roosevelt?

If you heard people from long ago speaking, you might disbelieve what you hear. Many words have changed or been displaced by new ones. For example, long ago, people used to say *mislike* when they didn't like something. But this word has disappeared and now people say *dislike* instead.

Try to discover where words come from. You won't be disappointed. Words have interesting stories.

