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Name of Activity: The Carrot Seed

Target learners: 3rd grades

Time required: 40minutes

Aims

- 1.Students can understand the content of the story.
- 2.Students can read the words they have learned “mother,father, big brother” without help from the teacher.
- 3.Students can read the sentence “Nothing came up” without help from the teacher.

Materials required & pre-lesson preparation

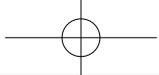
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projector,
story book
marker
work sheet
story content

In class procedure

1. Two of students share one story book. Teacher tells the story page by page slowly and simplifying the language in the book. Use different voice for different characters and act out the the story to attract students' attention. Students use the actions and the pictures to figure out the meaning of the story.
2. After telling the story, lead students to read the story again. Tell students when teacher stops with the words “mother, father, big brother” following, students should say it instead. And when teacher stops reading the sentence “nothing came up”, students read it instead.
3. Teacher leads the students to read the story, and when teacher stops reading, then students read aloud. Show the pictures and story on the screen, tell students the order of the story by the pictures. Students should match the pictures with the sentences and remember the order.
4. Divide the story into ten sentences according to the pictures and give each group ten sentences. Each group should put the ten sentences in correct order. Every sentence has a number, and each group writes the sequence of numbers on the blackboard. After each group finishes, everyone checks the answer together. The group who gets the right order with no mistakes is the winner.

Follow up

Students should know “Don't give up easily.” Ask them if they have tried at anything.
Give each student a worksheet. Students should colour the pictures and practice the content learned at school.



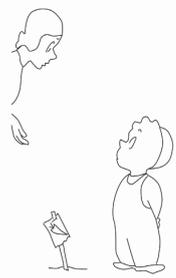
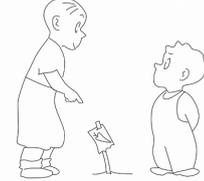
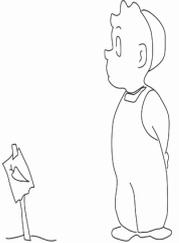
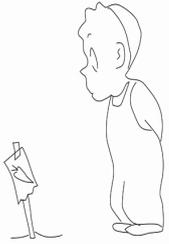
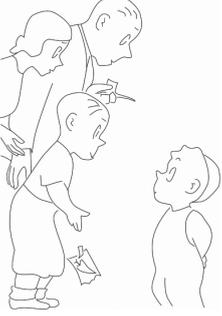
Worksheet

The Carrot Seed

Class:

Name:

Number:

<p>A little boy planted a carrot seed.</p> 	<p>His <u>mother</u> said, "I'm afraid it won't <u>come up</u>."</p> 	<p>His <u>father</u> said, "I'm afraid it won't <u>come up</u>."</p> 	<p>His big <u>brother</u> said, "It won't <u>come up</u>."</p> 	<p>Every day the little boy pulled up the weeds around the seed and sprinkled the ground with water.</p> 
<p>But nothing <u>came up</u>.</p> 	<p>And nothing <u>came up</u>.</p> 	<p>Every one kept saying it wouldn't <u>come up</u>.</p> 	<p>But he still pulled up the weeds around it everyday and sprinkled the ground with water.</p> 	<p>And then, one day, a carrot <u>came up</u> just as the little boy had known it would.</p> 