

If your child is able to recognize and write more complicated words and phrases, then this book will build on that foundation.

This is a fun and easy way to help your child learn to recognize the difference between nouns and verbs and how to use them in simple sentences such as The cat sleeps and The dogs run.



**Learning about Nouns and Verbs** 

### The aims and purpose of this book

If your child can recognize a good amount of words and phrases in print, then he or she is ready to tackle writing the simple sentences included in this book. By starting with the nouns and verbs that describe a child's world, this book will help your child learn the basic building blocks of simple sentences. Understanding that nouns and verbs must agree is an early step on the road to more complex sentence construction and reading comprehension.

Your child will progress gradually from writing singular nouns to plural nouns, all the while naming objects that are familiar to a growing child. Then your child will see most of these objects perform an action in the singular verb section. By keeping the objects and actions familiar and offering new information in an incremental manner, this book will help your child come to understand the concepts of nouns, verbs, and their agreement.

Help your child practice his or her developing language skills by pointing out nouns and verbs he or she can recognize at home, in stores, and wherever you go. Help nurture your child's curiosity about words and sentences by encouraging him or her to practice the activities in this book.

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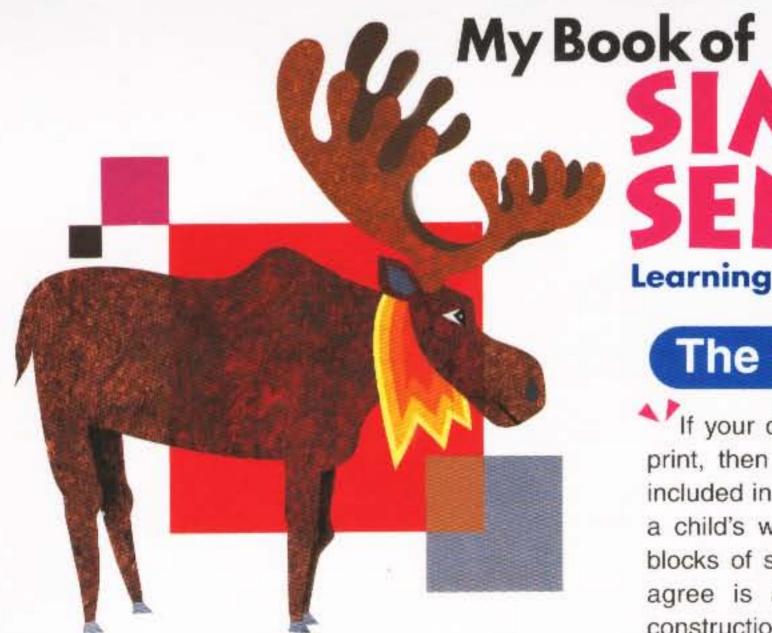
### How to use this book

Offer praise at the end of each page, and write encouraging words or place stickers on completed pages as a special prize.

Please refer to the "To parents" notes in this book, which provide more comments and advice on how to help your child progress through this book.

It is a good idea to set the number of pages your child will complete in a day. It may be one sheet (two pages) or two sheets (four pages) a day. The essential point to remember is that the practice should come to an end when your child still wants to do a little more.

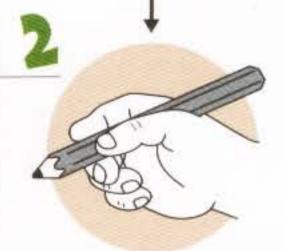
Most workbooks contain the same paper stock, but each Kumon Workbook features a different type of paper, tailored to a specific activity and use. This book features a good quality paper geared to children who are learning to write. The paper can stand up to rough drawing, even from children who have not yet mastered pencil-control skills. It is also made for easy erasing, which gives your child the opportunity to draw the lines again and again on each page.



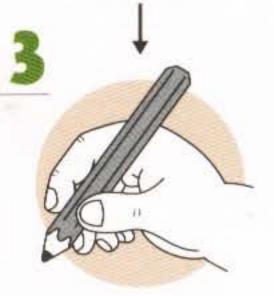
There are several ways to teach children to hold a pencil properly. Here is one example.



Let your child form the shape pictured here, using his or her own fingers. Put the pencil between the bending middle finger and joint part of thumb and forefinger.



Have your child grip the pencil with thumb and forefinger.



Check the way that your child is holding the pencil against the picture to decide whether or not it is the proper way.

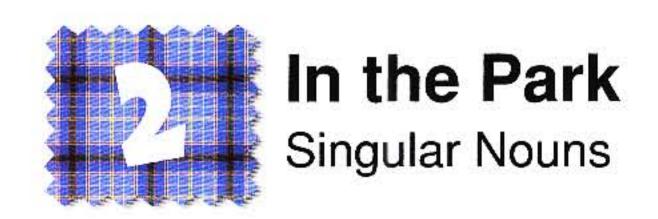
It can be difficult for a child who does not yet have enough strength in his or her hand and fingers to hold the pencil properly. Please teach this skill gradually, so that your child will remain interested and willing to hold a pencil naturally.



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Please emphasize to your child that nouns are 'naming' words by asking him or her to name the images in the picture. Offer your child lots of praise at the completion of each exercise.





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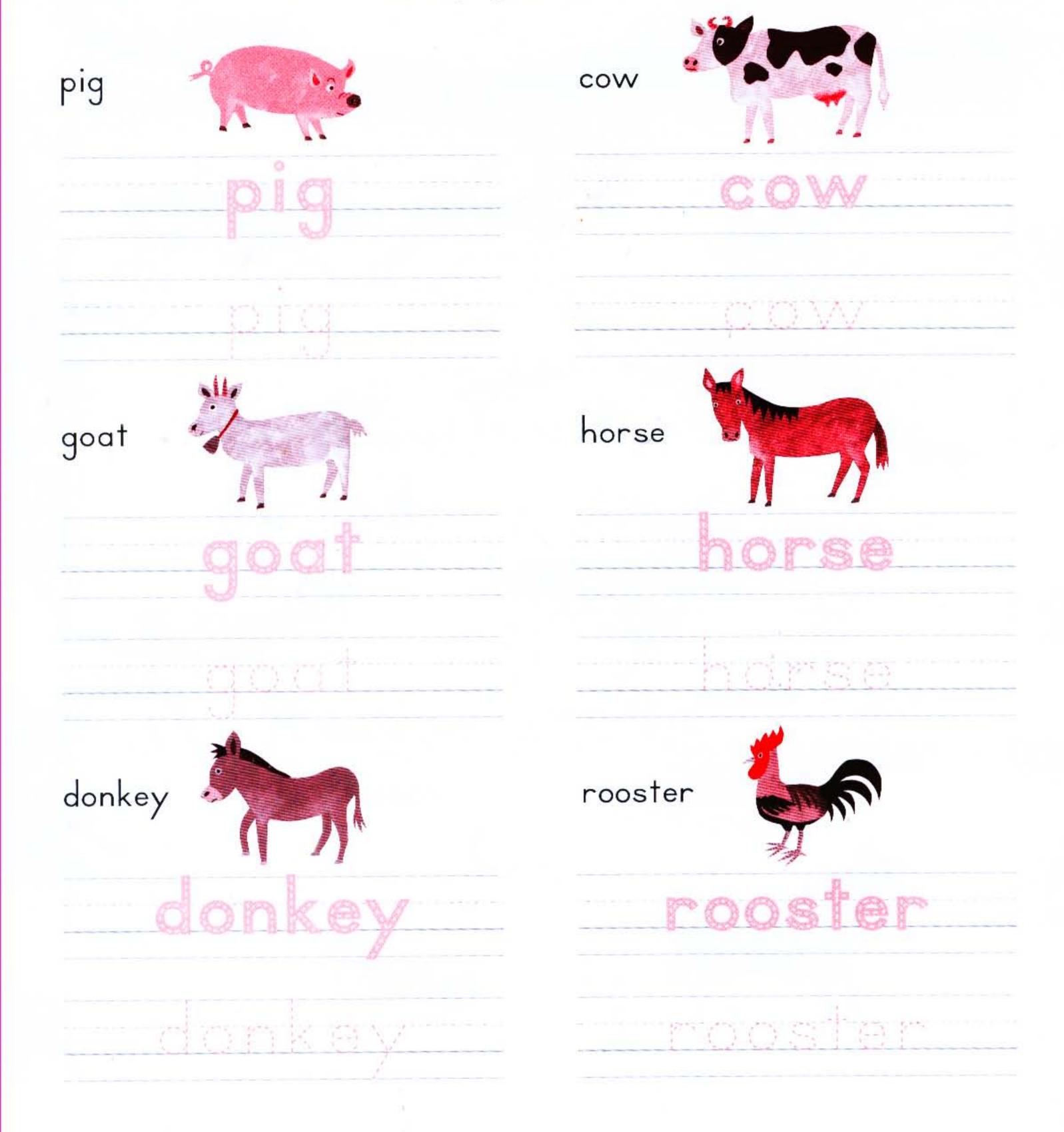
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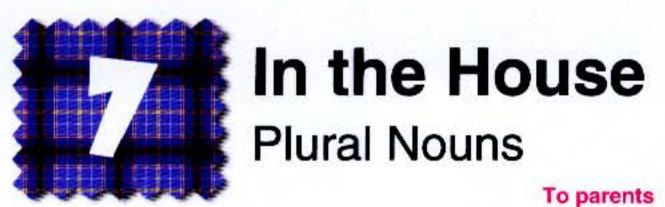




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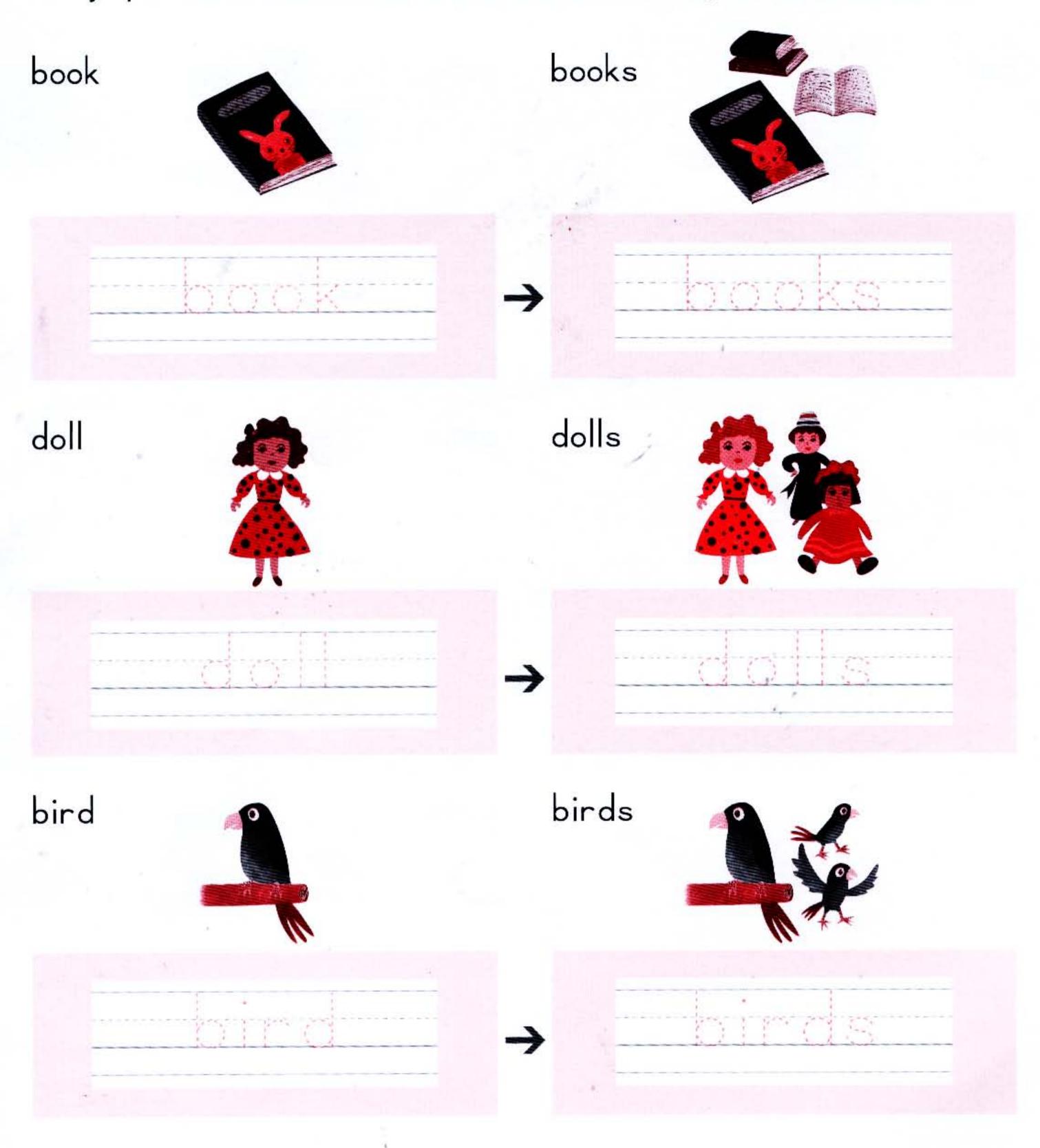
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Paying attention to the 's' at the end of each plural noun, have your child say each word aloud. By using words he or she has previously learned as singular nouns, your child will become familiar with the process of making a word plural. If your child seems to be having difficulty, point to the two pictures and show that when there are many of something, the name usually ends in 's.'

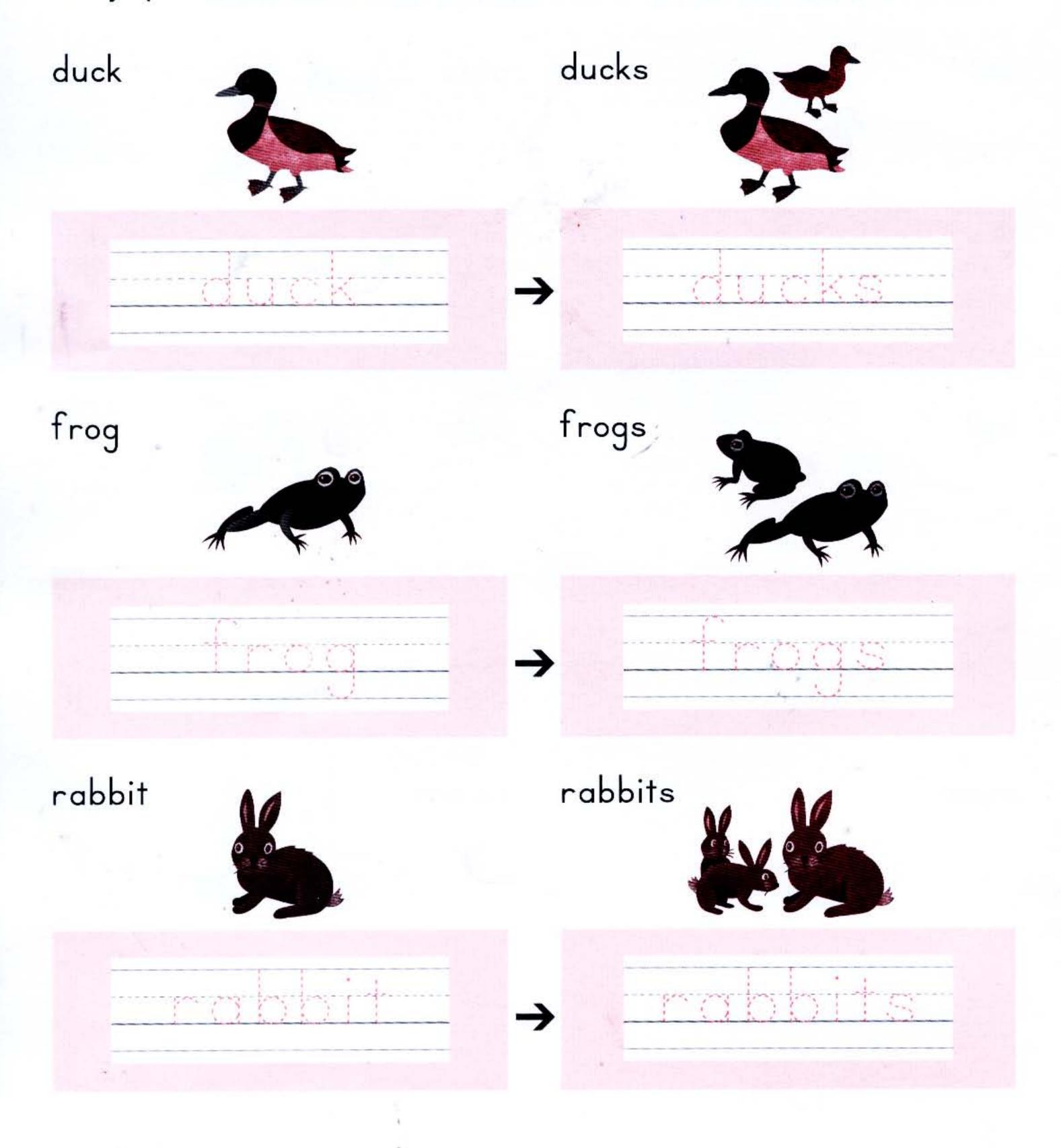
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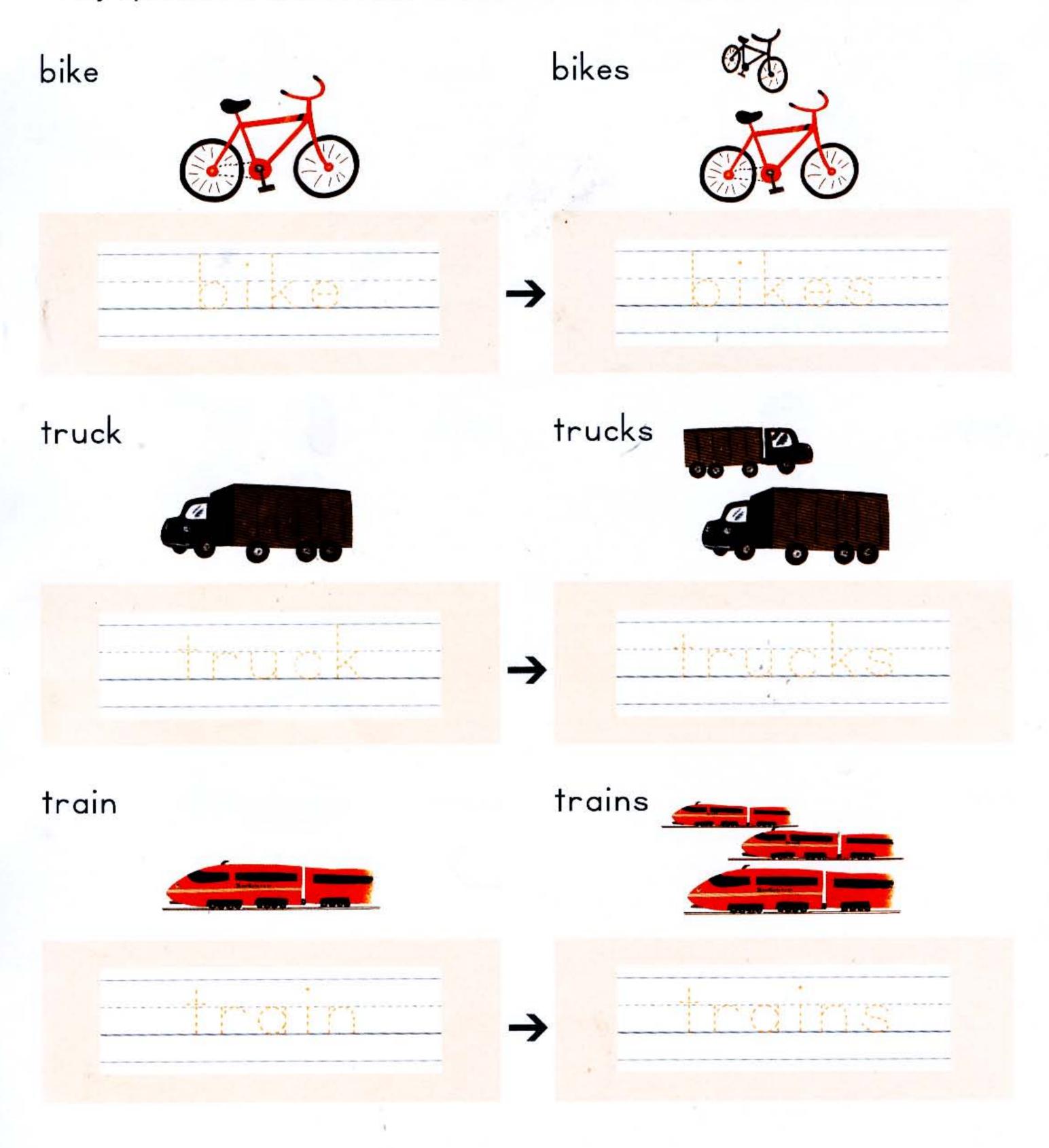
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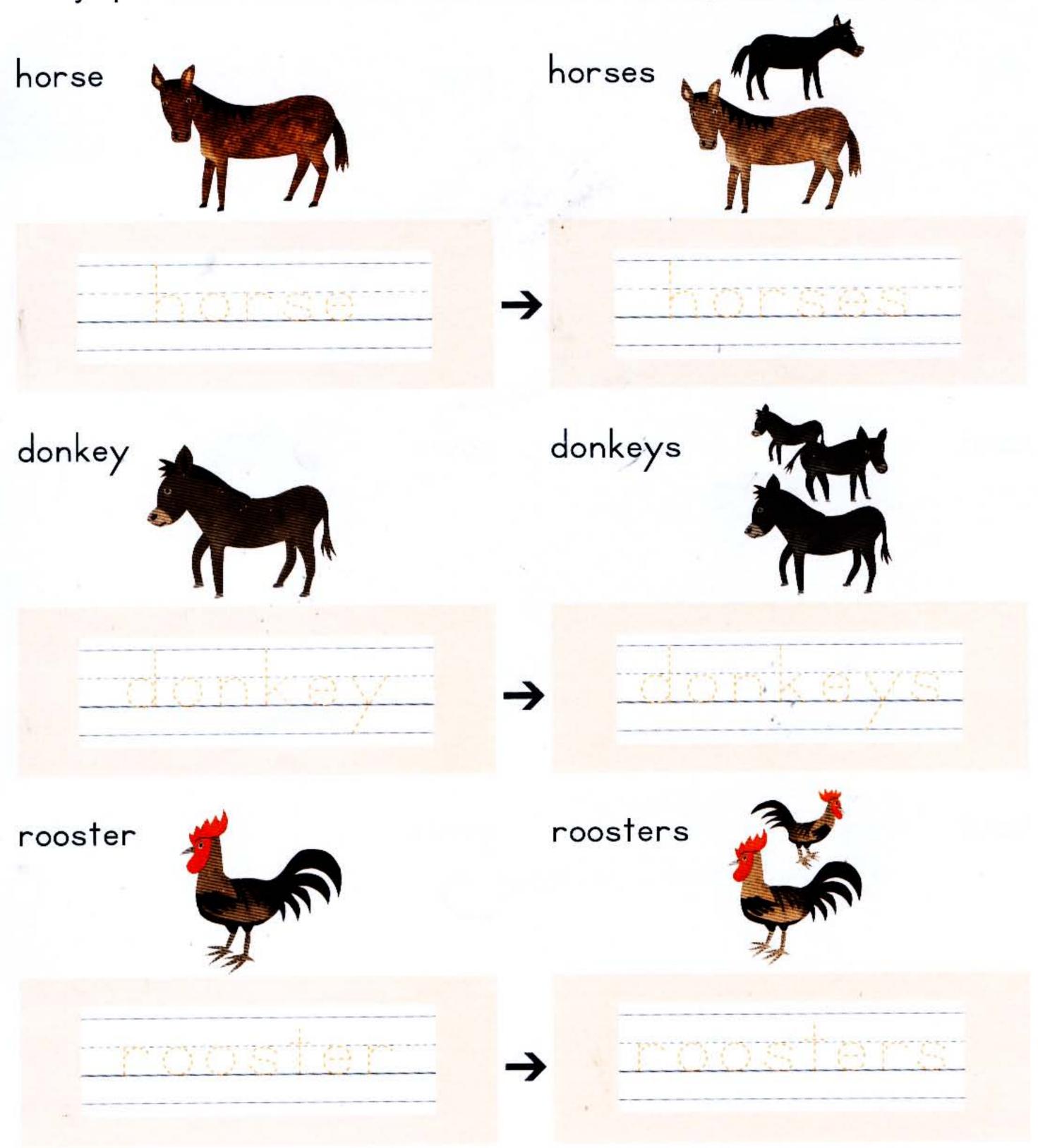
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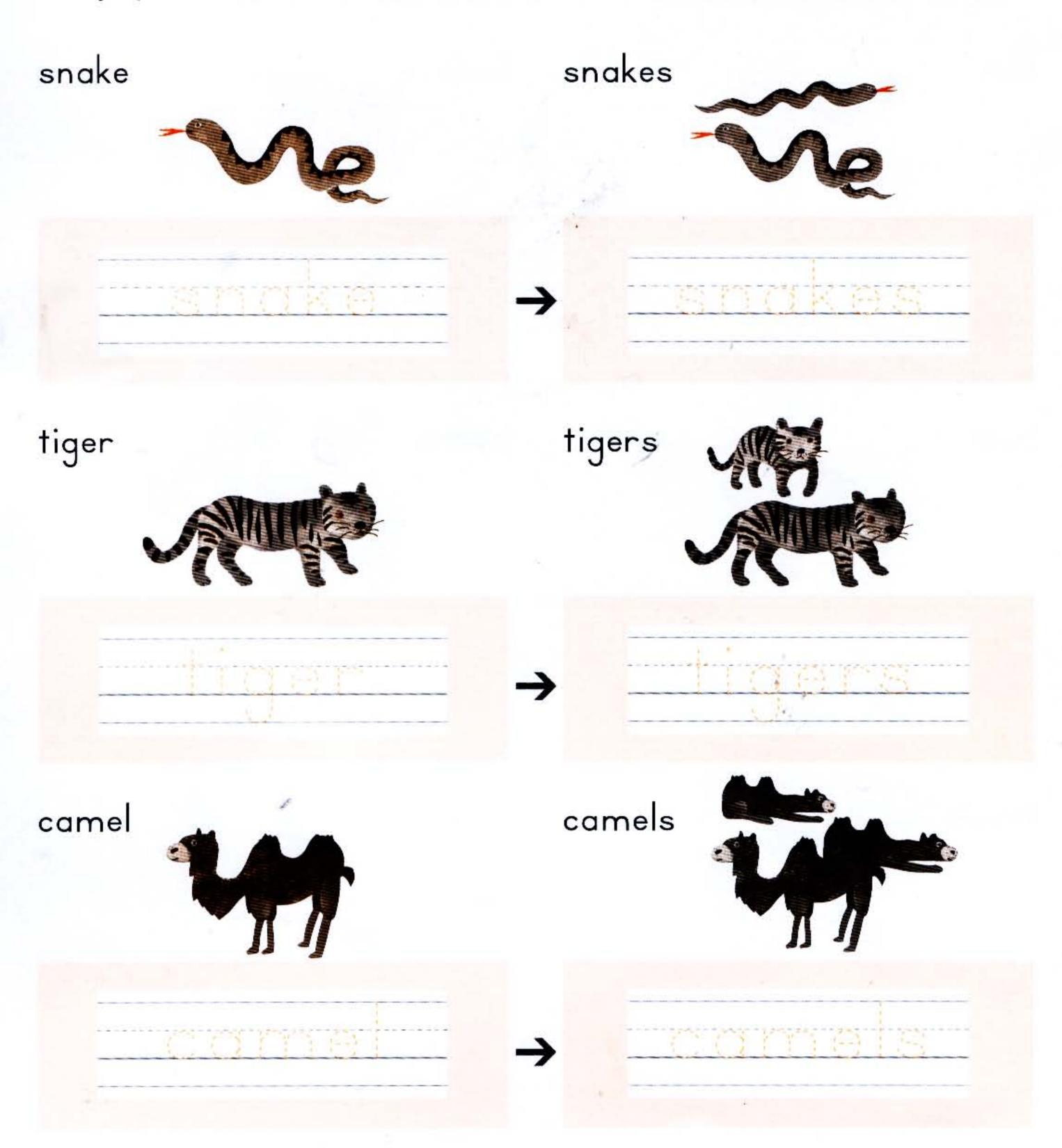
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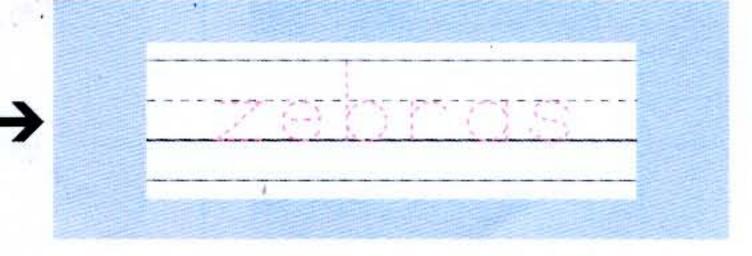
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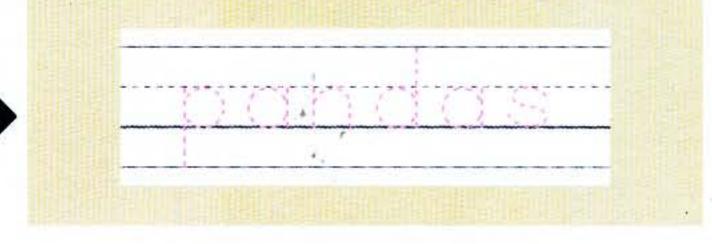


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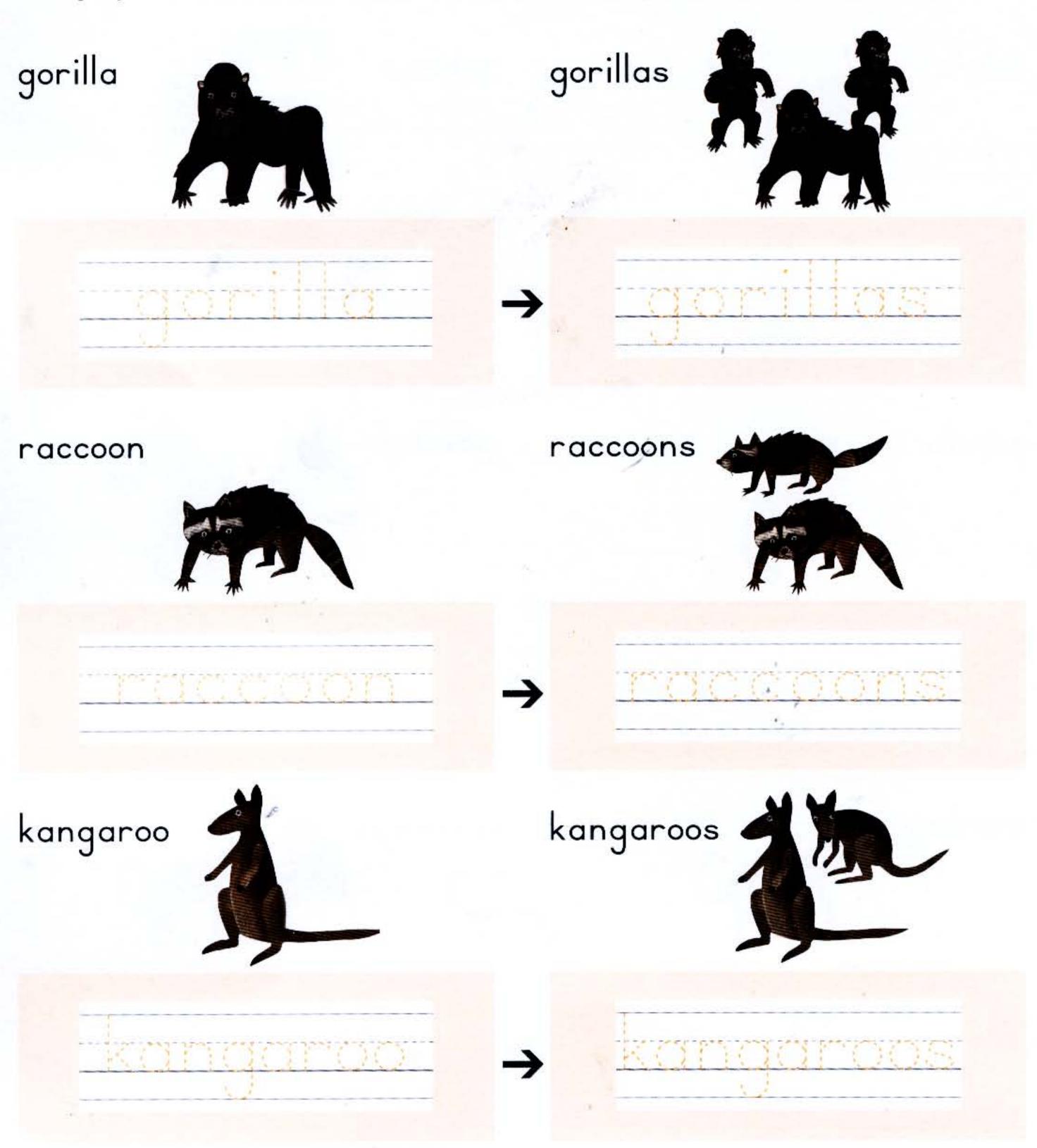


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## Verbs with Singular Nouns

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Please emphasize to your child that verbs are 'doing' words by asking him or her what is happening in the pictures. By using nouns that he or she has previously learned, and verbs that are common in everyday life, your child will come to understand how to link nouns and verbs. If your child seems to be having difficulty, try saying the word together as he or she is tracing.

Using the picture as a guide, trace each verb.
Then say the sentence aloud.

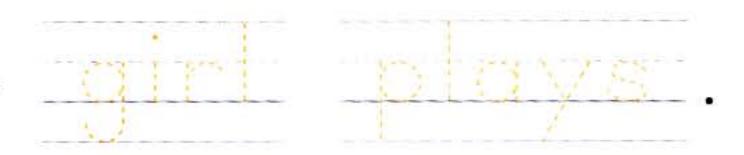


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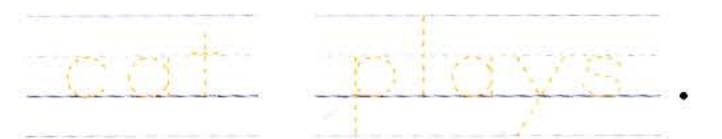
From this page forward, your child will be asked to trace both the noun and the verb in these simple sentences. Please help your child by asking for the name of the images in each picture and then what each character or thing is doing. By using one verb on each of these pages, your child will become familiar with the process of linking different nouns to the same verb. If your child seems to be having difficulty, try saying the words together as he or she is tracing.

Using the picture as a guide, complete each sentence. Then say the sentence aloud.

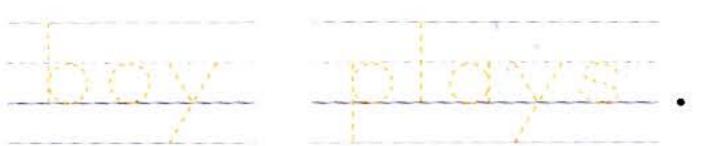






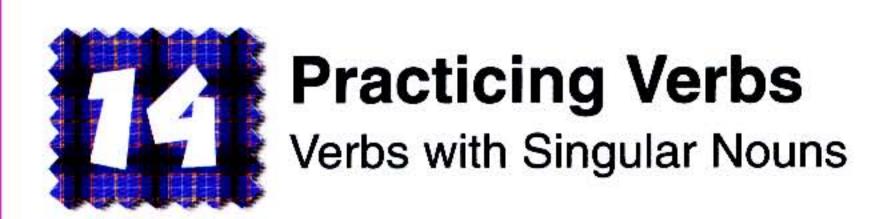








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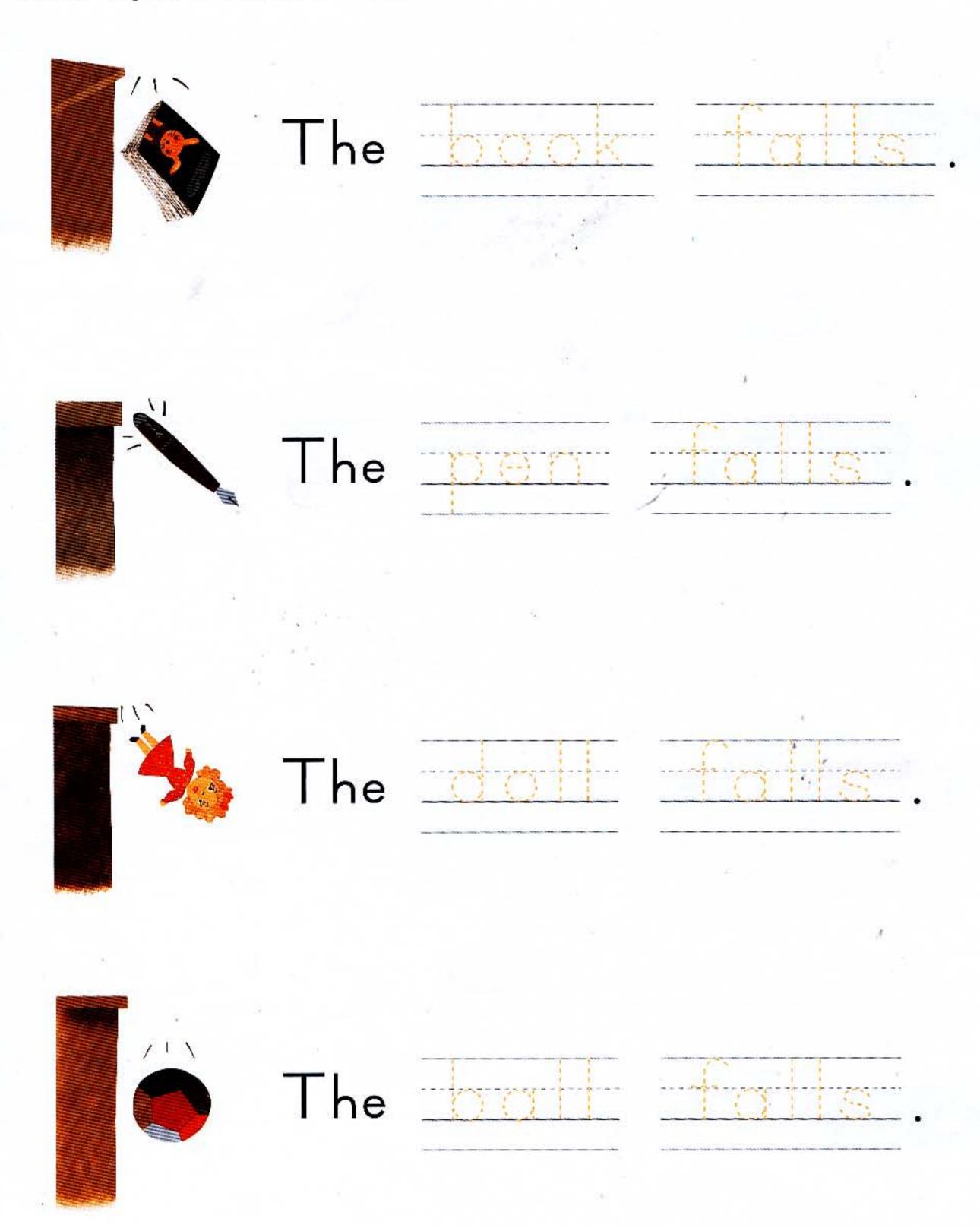
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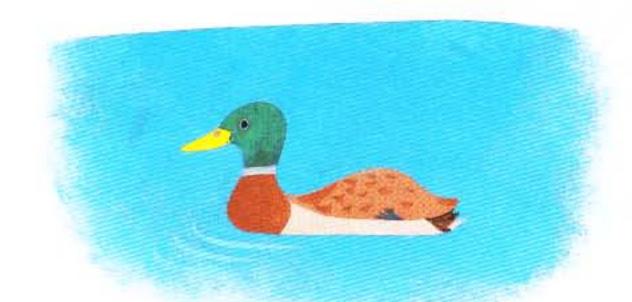


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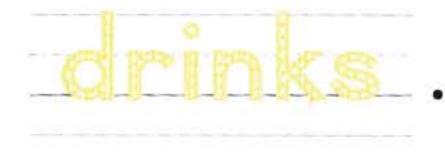
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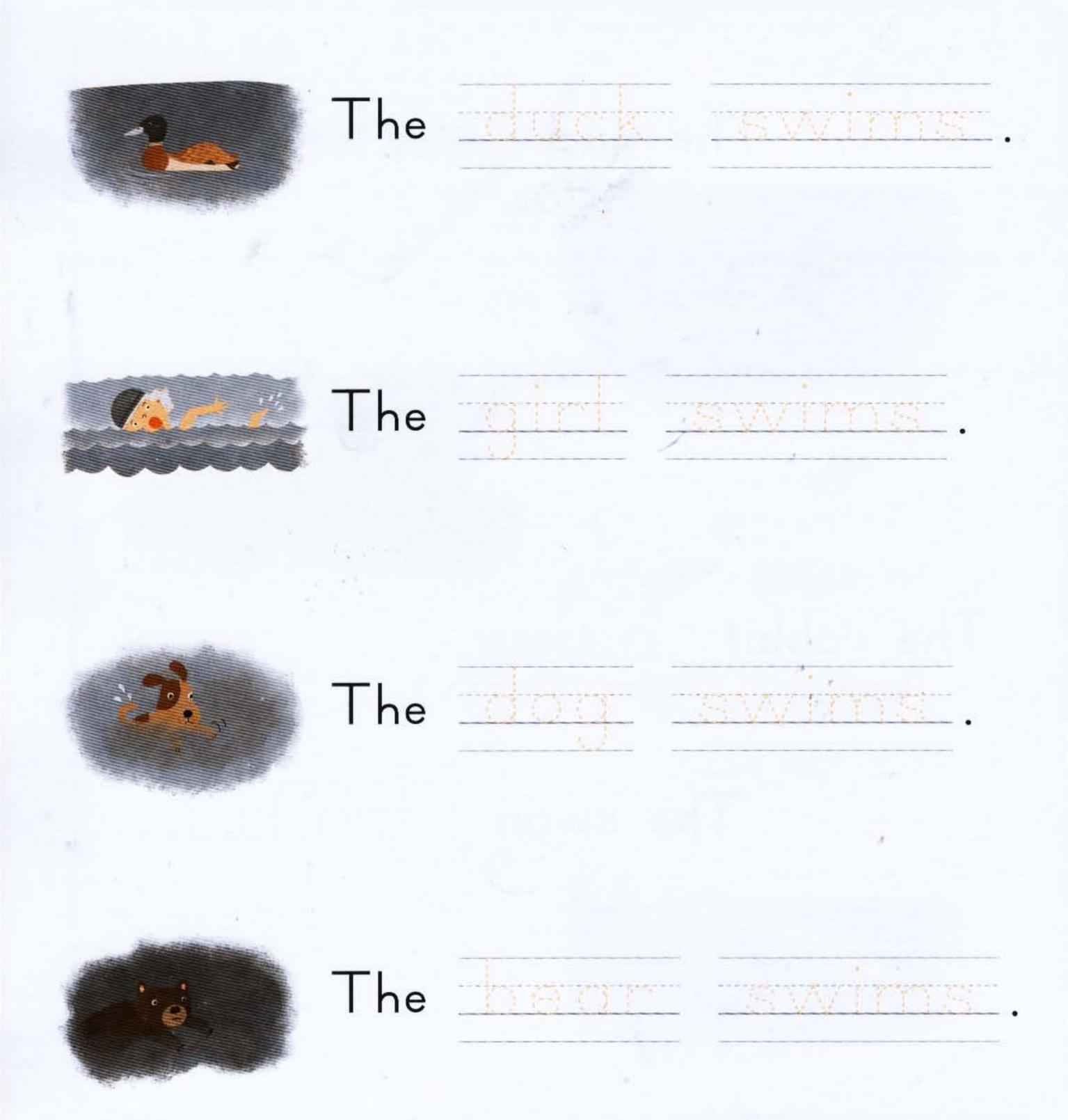
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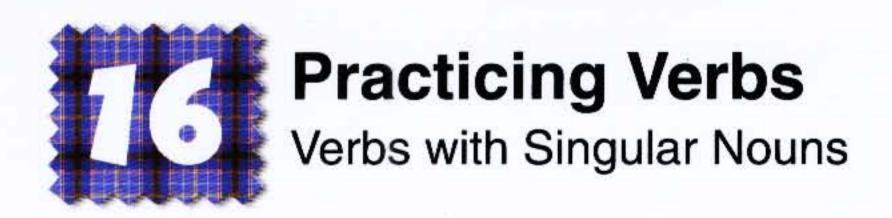
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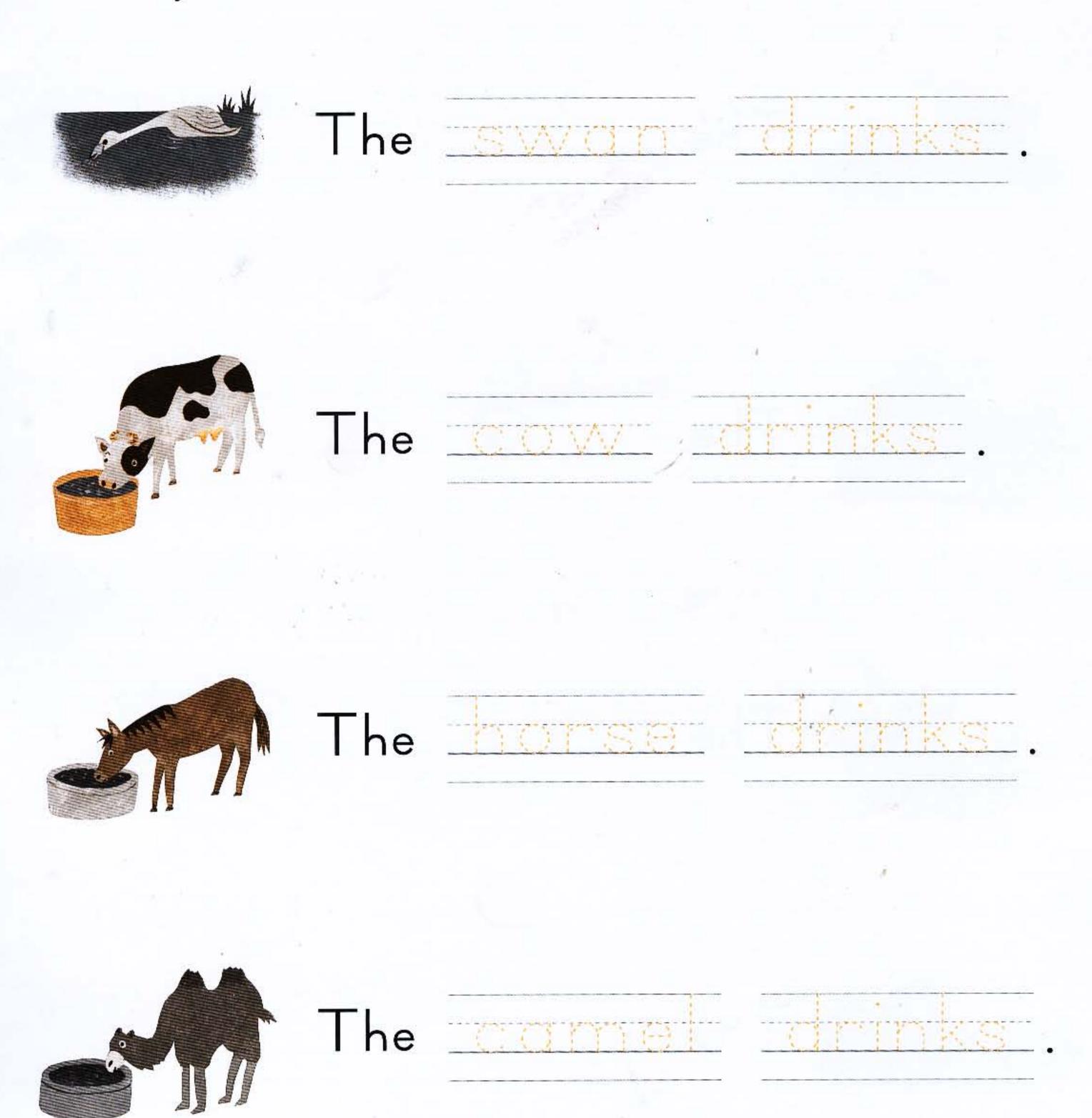
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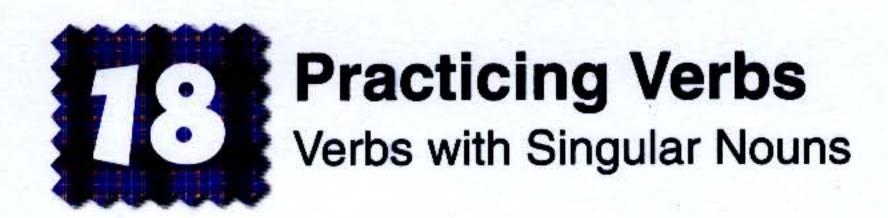


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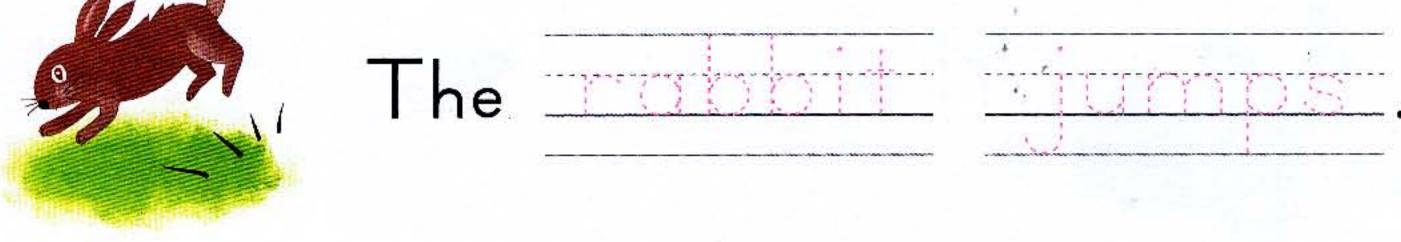
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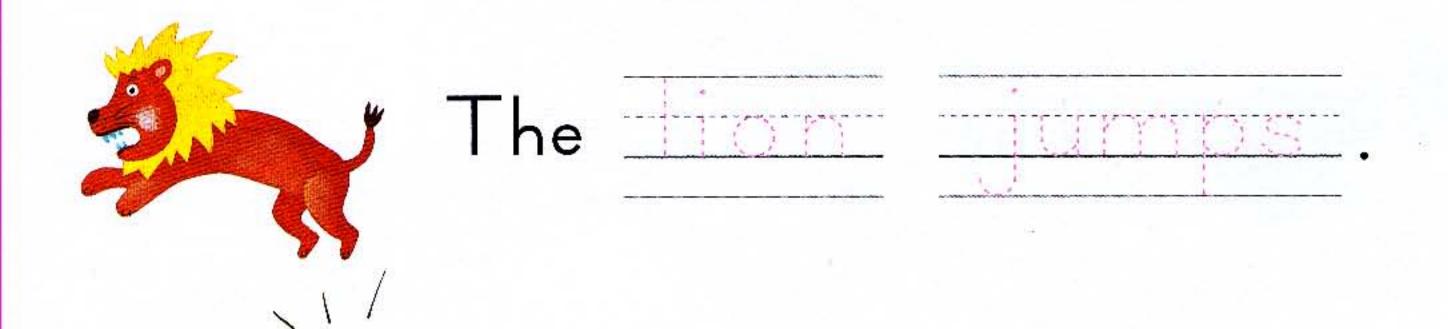
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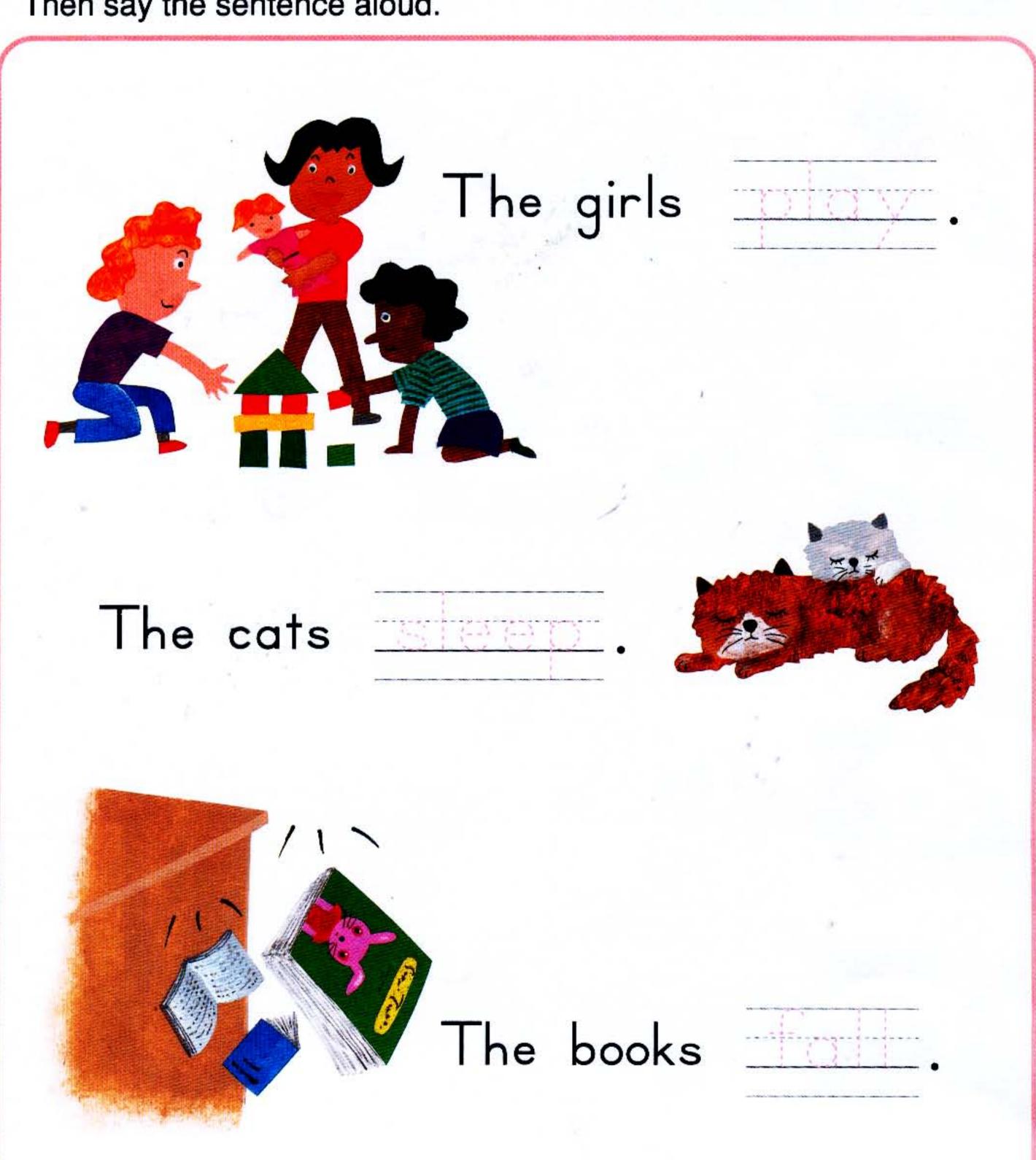
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## To parents

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Using the picture as a guide, trace each verb.
Then say the sentence aloud.



## To parents

On the following pages, your child will practice using verbs with plural nouns. By using one verb on each of these pages, your child will become familiar with the process of linking different plural nouns to the same verb. If your child seems to be having difficulty, try saying the words together as he or she is tracing.

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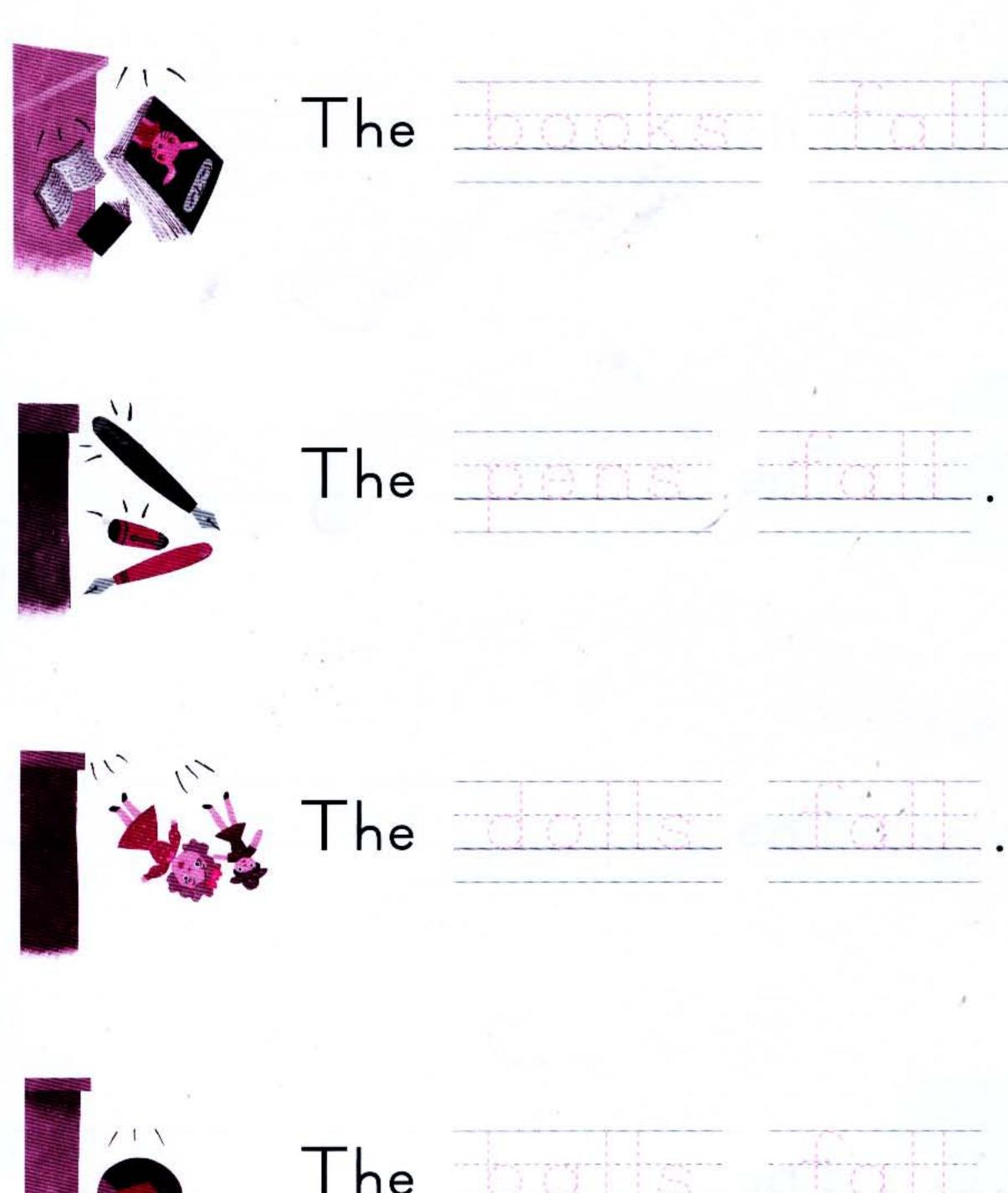


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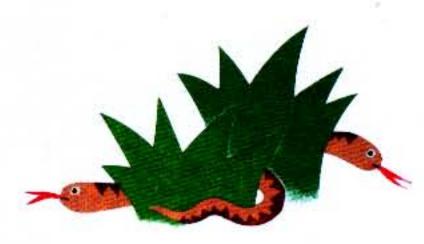


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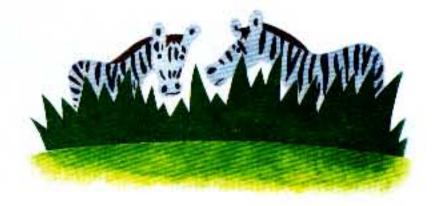


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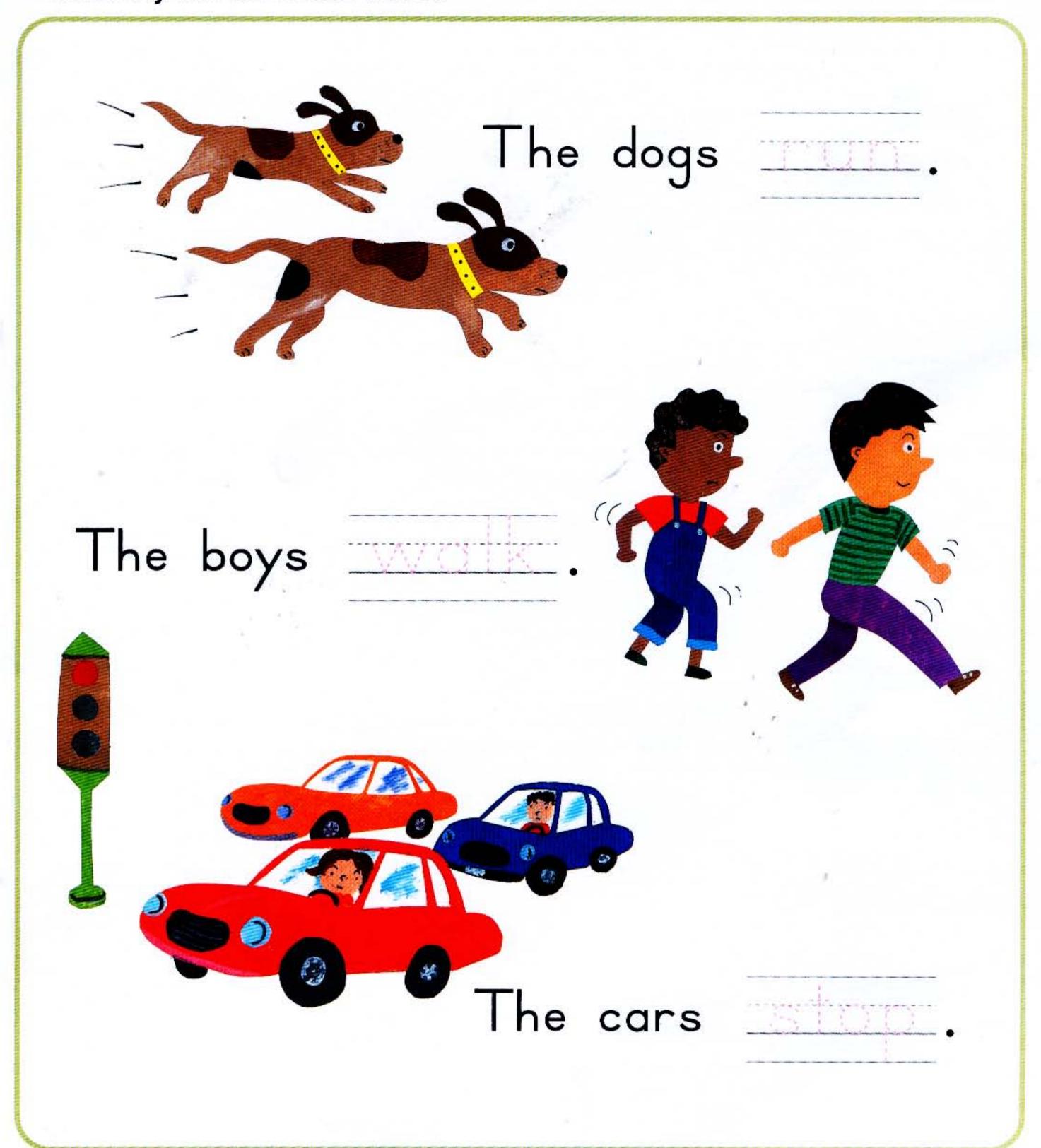


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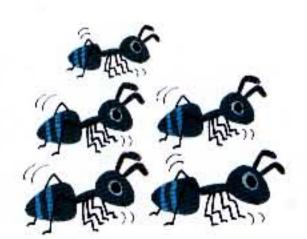


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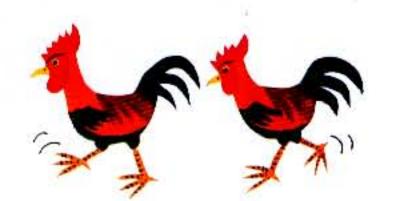


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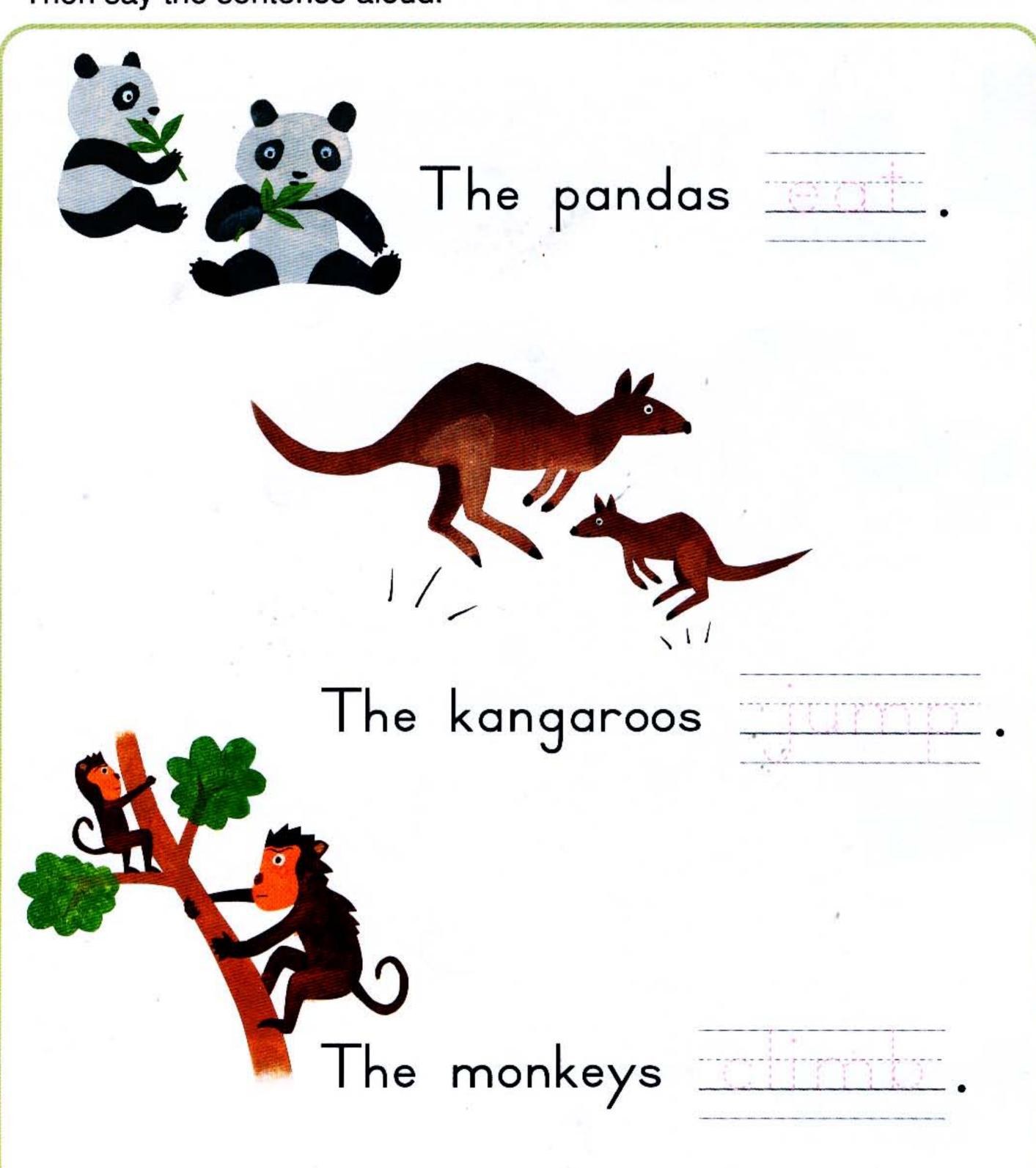
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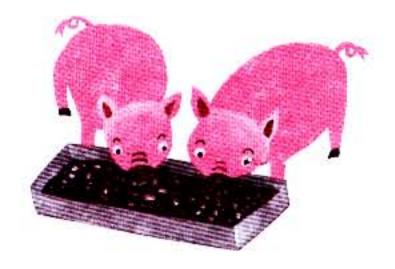




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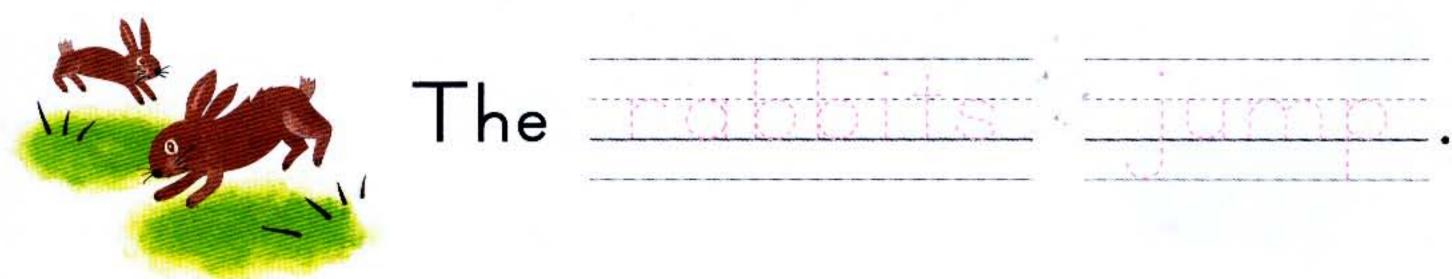
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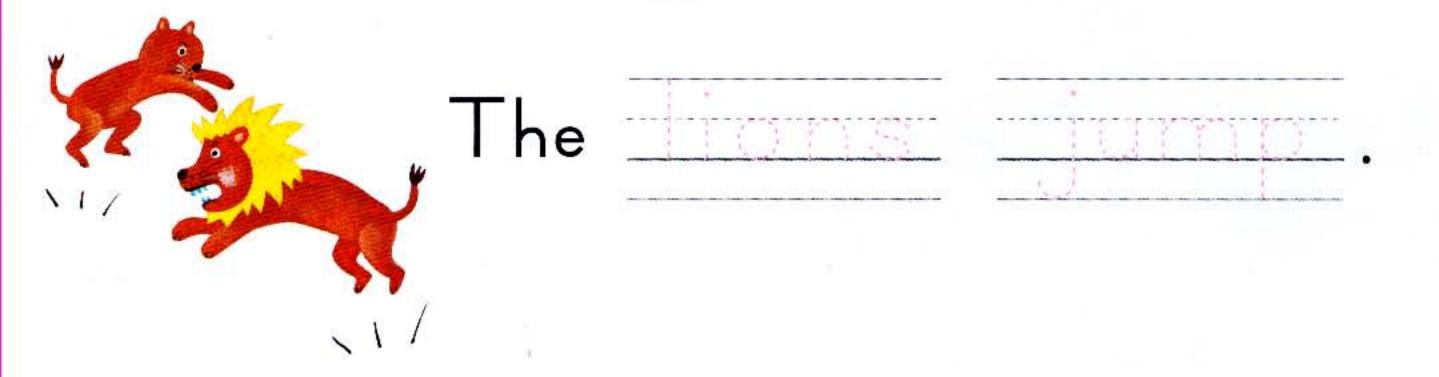
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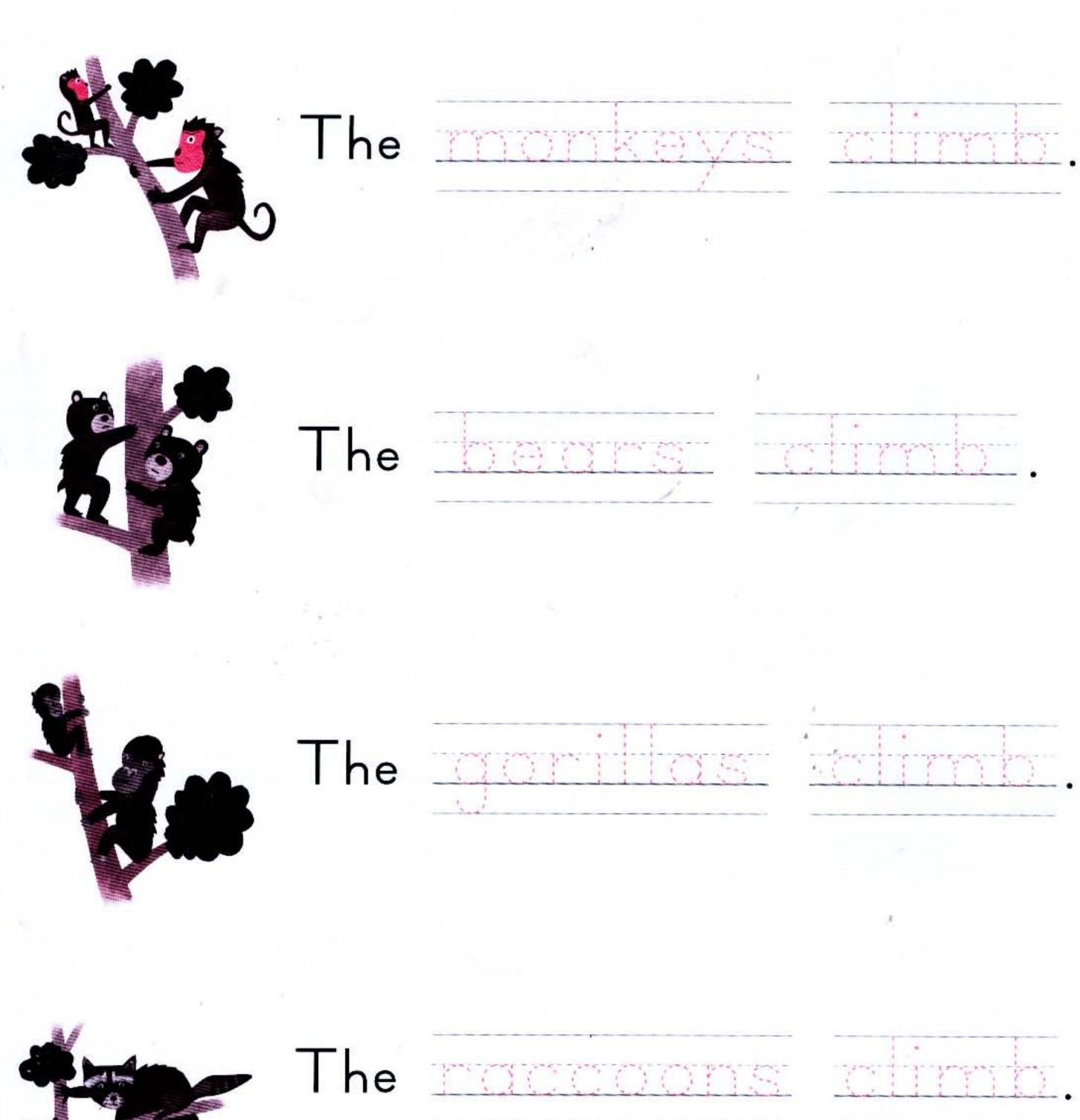
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Verbs with Plural Nouns





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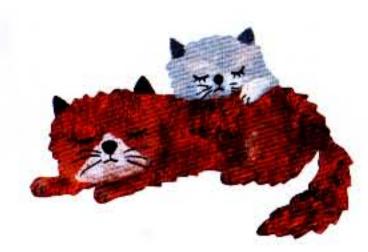


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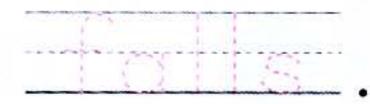
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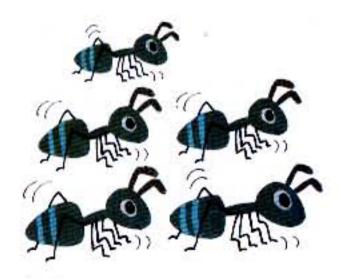


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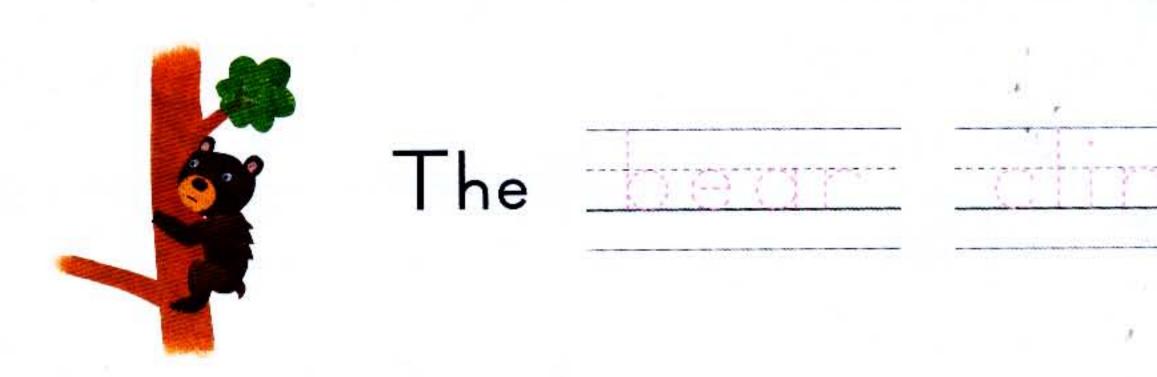
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