

Stressbusters

The purpose of the game is to determine the correct placement of accent or stress in a given word. Students, in pairs, can play the game.

Materials:

Game board

Pennies for game markers

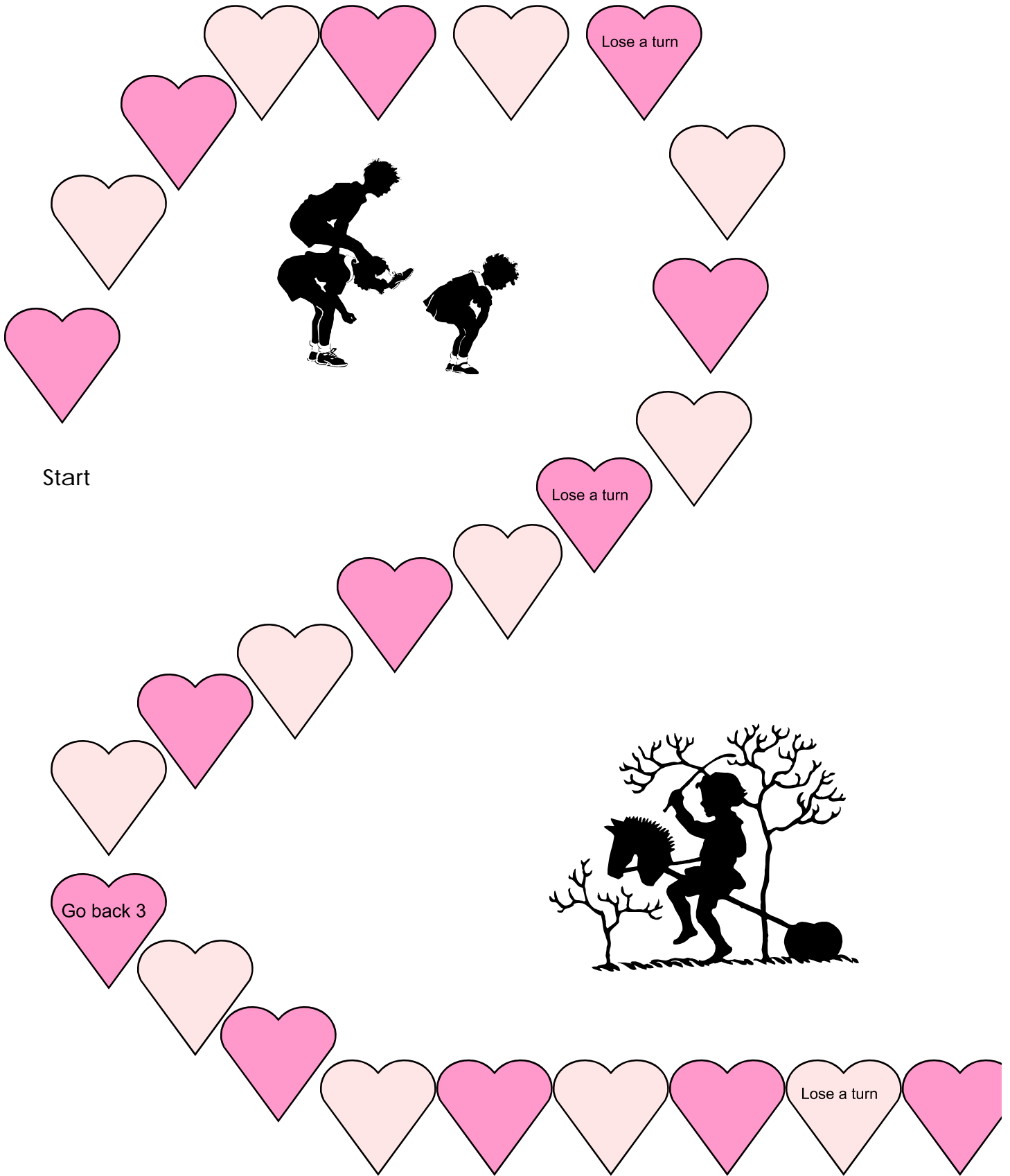
Word cards

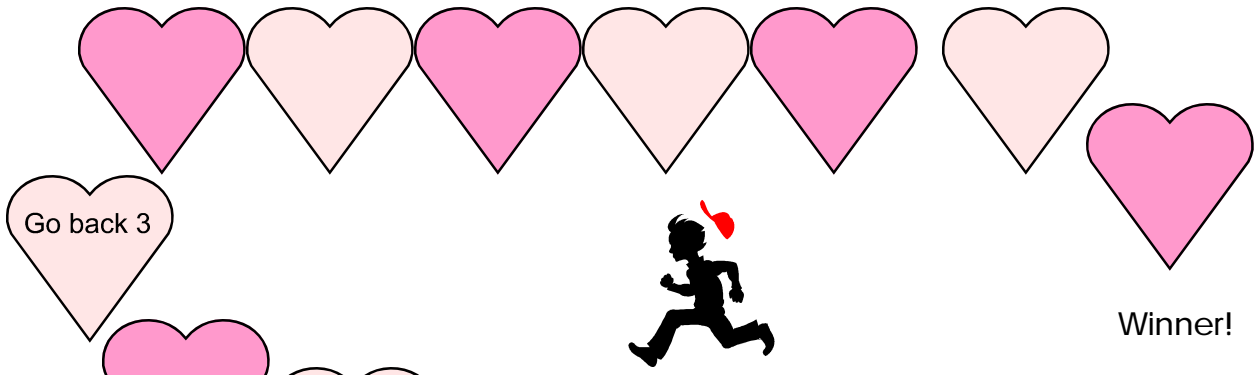
Dictionary

Procedures:

1. Each student will draw a card in turn. If the student correctly identifies the placement of the accent mark, he or she will move one space for the beginning syllable accent, two places for the second syllable being accented, and three places if the accent is on the third syllable.
2. If a player realizes that two syllables are accented in a word, he or she can choose which move they wish to make, such as the word CONstiTution.
3. Students take turns drawing cards. They can only move if they correctly identify the accent mark.
4. Game continues until one player reaches the finish heart.
5. A player can challenge another player if he or she thinks they are wrong. The answer is then looked up in the dictionary to see who is correct. If the challenger is correct, he or she gets to move forward by the correct accent mark. If the challenger is wrong, they must move back one space.

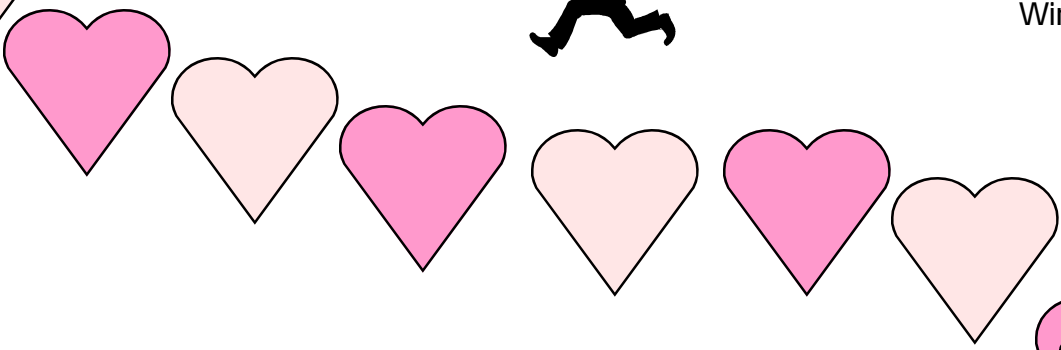
Idea taken from *Words Their Way: Word Study for Phonics, Vocabulary, and Spelling Instruction*



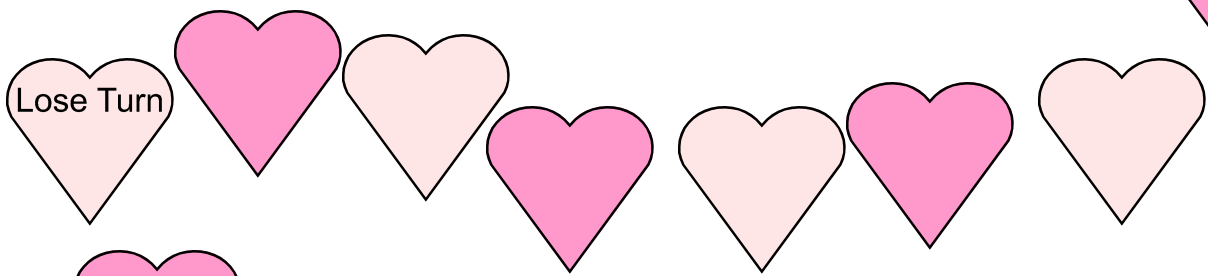


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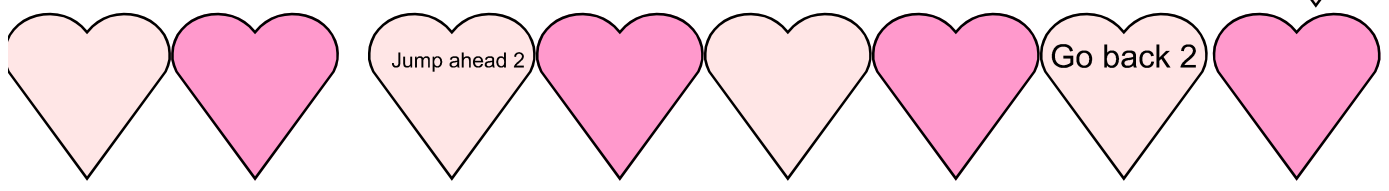
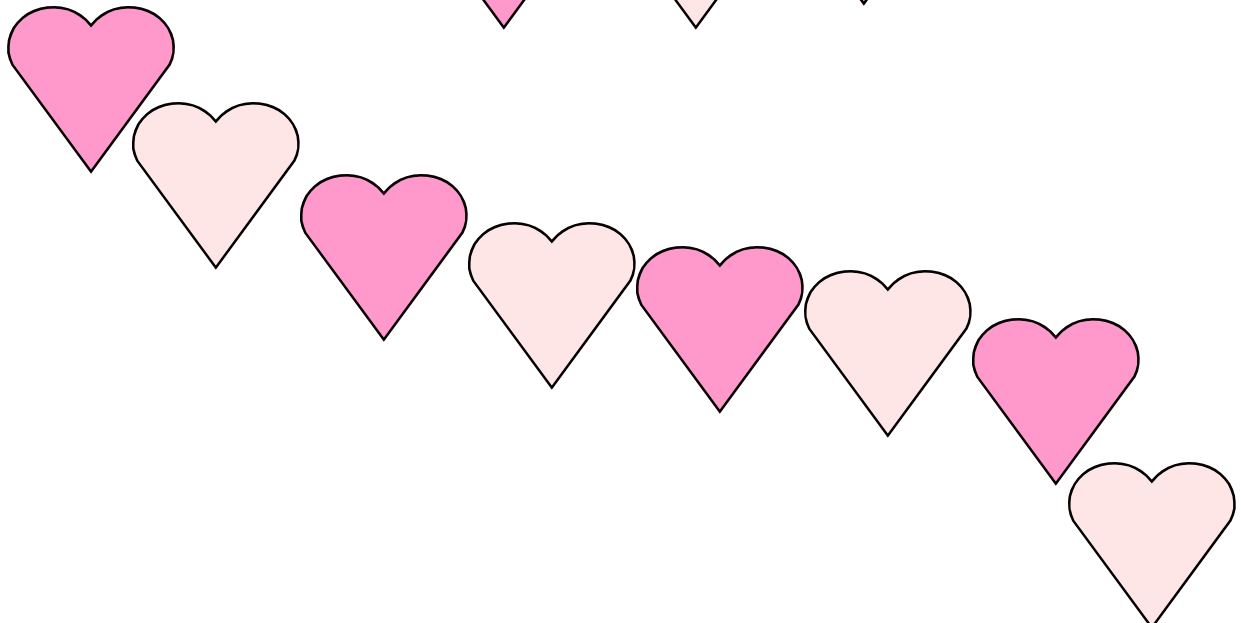
Winner!



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Lose Turn



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anything	somebody
beautiful	families
grandfather	January
libraries	Wednesday
wonderful	populate

cantaloupe	comedy
acrobat	Albany
amateur	aptitude
architect	artery
avalanche	calculator

customer	engineer
evidence	forestry
generator	December
November	October
September	uncommon

unusual	unwanted
protection	reduction
romantic	unable
providing	vacation
whoever	accountant

agility	amphibian
apprentice	asparagus
attorney	computer
election	endurance
executive	erosion

constitution	population
planetarium	Sacramento
Tallahassee	understand
imitation	regulation
California	definition

diagnosis	hippopotamus
irrigation	Mississippi
declaration	exclamation
delegation	proclamation
salutation	forestry