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Back-to-School tips from Tommie Netzer to encourage, inspire, and motivate.

Fun and innovative activities to promote learning in the classroom.

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TOMMIE'S TOOLS!

Inspired Ideas for a Creative Classroom!

Counting Book
by Mrs. Smith's Class
Room 11

Count
by 2s

Mini Book Mania

Create fun mini books using
Designer Cut-Outs and Ring-Its!

YOU WILL NEED



1 Designer Cut-Outs Add a splash of color and fun to your classroom with 6" x 6" Designer Cut-Outs. 36 per package. Acid-free.
CTP 3870 Poppin' Pattern Cards
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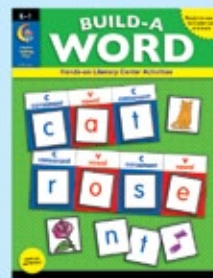
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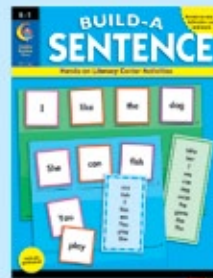
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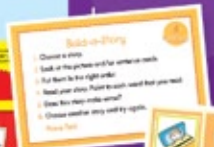
CTP 3101 Build-a-Word • Gr. K-1



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CTP 3103 Build-a-Story • Gr. 1-2



ABOUT Tommie Netzer

I have been involved in education all of my life: 20 years as a student, 20 years as a teacher, and 20 years as co-owner of a teacher supply store in Texas.

During my tenure at the store, I conducted hundreds of teacher training workshops. My goal was to encourage, inspire, and motivate teachers to have fun while teaching. As I enter the next 20 years of my life, I hope to become a mentor to teachers, store owners, and, mostly, to my two grandchildren.



Mic and classroom rules were inspired by CTP 1362

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Monkeying Around



"Along came Mr. Alligator quiet as can be, and snatched a monkey right out of that tree!"

Five Little Monkeys CTP 1359

Make your own Mr. Alligator puppet to countdown from five monkeys to one as you sing and read along with *Five Little Monkeys*.

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These bulletin boards make great manipulatives. Have your students make their own class book to recite the alphabet or count numbers.

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CTP 4037 Alphabet Bulletin Board **\$11.99**



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Investigate & Explore

with Science & Social Studies

Science & Social Studies Mini Bulletin Boards • Grades K-5

Use the detailed illustrations and labels in these sets to teach a variety of social studies and science concepts, reinforce skills, and enhance vocabulary development. Each set includes numerous interactive die-cut pieces, a 21" x 6" title sign, and guide with suggested activities. *Partial sets shown.*

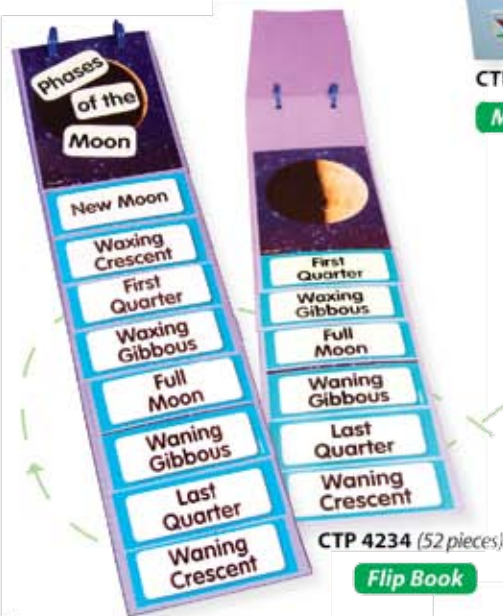
\$6.99

The versatile die-cut pieces can be used as:

- Visual aids during instruction
- Flash cards
- Bulletin board displays
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- Dioramas
- Mini books
- Center activities
- Learning games

Science Mini Bulletin Board Sets

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Ready, Set, Science!

Science Photo Cards • Grades K-5

Introduce and reinforce science concepts and enhance students' vocabulary development with the detailed and engaging photographs in each set. \$9.99

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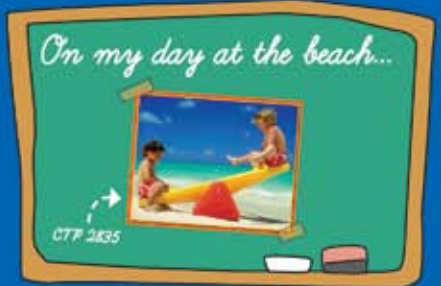
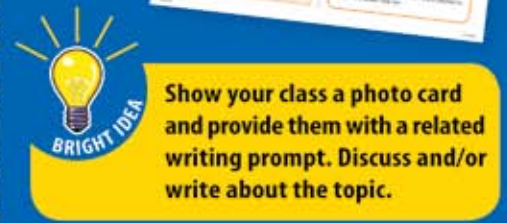
- 12 full-color, 8" x 10" photographs
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- Suggested activities

Gr. K-2

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- CTP 2838 Our Earth
- CTP 2839 Understanding Weather

Gr. 3-5

- CTP 2840 Understanding Energy
- CTP 2841 Changes in Matter
- CTP 2842 Animal Adaptations
- CTP 2843 Plant Adaptations
- CTP 2844 Our Solar System and Beyond
- CTP 2845 Our Changing Earth

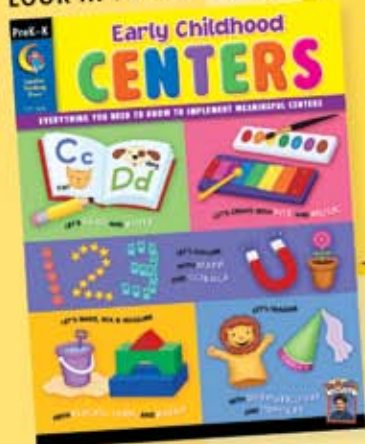


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Center Stage



LOOK IN THE BOOK



Early Childhood Centers • Grades PreK-K

This comprehensive resource combines practical, field-tested ideas with research-based teaching practices from Dr. Maggie to help you meet the needs of your students effectively, efficiently, and meaningfully. This book includes suggestions for setting up your classroom, organizing materials, managing centers, and assessing students. 144 pages.

Every center overview includes:

- Ideas and activities
- List of suggested materials
- How the center benefits children
- Standards correlation chart to identify key objectives

CTP 1036 \$19.99

Here are some insightful ideas for managing centers and helpful learning activities from the book:

Managing Centers



TOMMIE'S TIP Use CTP 1236 Poppin' Patterns Dots Hot Spot Stickers for the dots along the edge of the chart. \$2.49 per package.

Clothespin Cuties Page 16

Have children find their own photos or names and attach them on the chart in the appropriate block to indicate where they want to explore or work.

TOMMIE'S TIP Attach the center signs with Velcro, so that you can easily change the center titles.

Spin the Wheel Page 18

A Rotation Wheel for Kindergarten Literacy Centers
Rotate the wheel each day for four days and invite children to check the board daily to see which center area they will work in during center time. Change the groups every four to six weeks so that children have the opportunity to work with different classmates.



Center Signal Sticks Page 18

Use the sticks to mark your centers and place them in the can when not in use.

Activities



Block Lesson Page 73

My Hometown – Math & Geography Standards

- 1 Before center time work with the class to lay out a town center and residential community on a large sheet of butcher paper.
- 2 Decorate paper lunch bags for houses and small boxes or wooden blocks for buildings.
- 3 Place buildings in the town.
- 4 Place the houses on the streets and label street names and number buildings and houses.
- 5 Color the scenery, people, and vehicles and glue the props to boxes, toilet paper tubes, thread spools, or wood blocks to help them stand.
- 6 Ask children to navigate through the streets and tell how they will travel to different landmarks in the town.



BRIGHT IDEA Save everyday household items like toilet paper tubes, clothespins, and coffee cans to use in your centers.



Music Lesson Page 96

Sing-a-Song Bag – Musical Arts Standards

- 1 Use the "Old MacDonald" song sheet and record the children singing the song.
- 2 Copy the barn setting and character props for each child in the center.
- 3 Color and cut out the barn and glue it to a paper lunch bag.
- 4 Color and cut out the song props and glue or tape each to a craft stick.
- 5 Play the class-made tape and drop each character in the bag while singing with the tape.



Writing Lesson Page 129

"Thumb-Body" Special – Writing Skills/Strategies

- 1 Prepare five-page step books for each child in the center.
- 2 Write a sentence frame on each page of the book.
- 3 Have children think of four things they can do well and write these activities in each frame.
- 4 Use a stamp pad to ink children's thumb prints on each page and have them draw the activities.
- 5 Have children practice reading their "Thumb-Body Special" stories to one another.