

## About These Activities . . .

We call this hands-on because it really is ! Those little grade-school hands will have to connect with scissors and a matrix to carry out the assignments.

How does this work?

Students first cut along the dotted lines of the matrix. Then they cut away the number of shapes shown after each description. When they finish, they should have just one shape left—and that's the answer!

In one exercise they must cut away the names of two hospital workers ("doctor" and "nurse"). Then they must cut away three polite words ("please," "excuse me," and "thanks".) They then proceed until there is just one word left—in this case, "baby".

Of course this provides practice in classification—the ability to analyze information. If you're to find two paper things, you wouldn't be cutting out the word "toaster." You'd look until you found "envelope" and "dollar bill."