

About These Activities . . .

What better way to start the day than with these motivational concepts!

The 15 activity pages you see here are from our popular WakerUppers book. We have chosen them because they seem to be a perfect fit for middle and upper elementary minds. The ideas are varied so that students never know what's coming next. The underlying purpose, however, is to help kids become better, more adventuresome thinkers.

To underscore the variety, there are four or five challenges on each activity page. For example, on the "Sit-Ups and Dropped Letters" page, students must make sentences using letters that are given, such as B C W (Birds can walk), but it could also be (Bears can't whistle)!

On the same page, there is also an abstraction, having to do with lines in motion, and a big triangle they must divide into six little triangles. They must also arrange three letters in five different ways. All this plus writing their own names "as if the letters had dropped on the floor."

Teachers often hand out a WakerUppers page early in the day, so that youngsters can work on the challenges when they have finished other work.