

#### **School Stories**

Developed by teachers and reading specialists, **School Stories** introduces students to useful vocabulary about school and school-life. The program teaches the meaning, spelling and basic usage of many useful words which are presented in eleven interesting stories. Helpful clues and examples, along with exciting audio-visual content, ensure that students of all learning styles can use the software on their own. Students choose stories that interest them most, enhancing motivation to read and providing a sense of independence. **School Stories** is an effective and engaging way to introduce new learners to a basic and useful vocabulary set of the English language.

#### **Targeted Skills**

- Word Recognition Written
- Word Recognition Spoken
- Unscrambling Letters to Spell Words
- Spelling Words
- Basic Sentence Structure
- Simple Word Games

#### **Teacher Dashboard**

The Teacher Dashboard tracks student progress throughout each program and records the percentage score for every activity completed. This feature provides an overview of how well a student is progressing and allows the teacher to identify strengths and weaknesses.

- · Records students' results automatically as they work.
- · Prints reports quickly and easily for sharing with parents and staff.
- Provides summary reports by subject or detailed reports by activity.
- Allows teachers to print reports for individual students or an entire class.
- Stores student marks in one central location for all programs.

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#### **Program Outline**

The program is divided into 2 main units, which can be accessed from the main menu. These units contain a total of 11 separate stories. On the following pages, the activities for each of these stories are shown. The units and stories are:

### Welcome to School

Welcome to Miguel's School Welcome to Akira's School Welcome to Amita's School Miguel's Math Class Akira's English Class Amita's Art Class

# Welcome to the Schoolyard

Amita's Schoolyard Miguel Plays Baseball Amita Plays Soccer Akira Plays Hockey Miguel Plays Basketball

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#### Activity Key for Stories

ACTIVITY NAME	INSTRUCTION	REQUIRED SKILLS
Hear the Story	Listen to the story and follow along with the words.	Basic reading comprehension.
Learn the Story Words	Listen to the words as you read them.	Learn and understand new vocabulary.
Picture Match	Click on the word that matches the highlighted picture.	
Spell the Words	Spell the word that matches the picture you see. (with letter cues)	Spell new vocabulary words.
Mixed Up Letters	Spell the word that matches the picture you see. The letters of the word are shown, but they are in a mixed up order.	
Spelling Mistakes	Click on the correct spelling of the word that matches the picture you see.	
Click on the Best Word	Click on the correct word or words to fill in the blanks of each sentence that you see.	Understand and apply new vocabulary.
Review the Story	Listen to the story and follow along with the words.	Basic reading comprehension.
Finish the Sentences	Click on the correct ending for each sentence.	Understand and apply new vocabulary.
		Understand sentence structure.
Word Search	Find the hidden words. Click on each letter of each missing word.	Spell new vocabulary words.
Crossword	Finish this crossword puzzle by entering the letters of the word that matches the picture that you see.	