## Homework Project - Theme 3

1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Hamersville

### **DUE DATE:**

#### Theme 3 Overview:

- Title WHAT MAKES THINGS MOVE?
- Vocabulary words blowing, strength, investigate, motion, answer, wave
- Phonics Short "i" and "op" (pop) and "ot" (hot) families

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- Phonemic Awareness phoneme isolation and phoneme segmentation
- Grammar ending punctuation and reviewing simple sentences

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Use the attached materials and follow the directions below to make a pinwheel.

#### You will need:

a sharpened pencil pinwheel pattern (attached) a plastic drinking straw (attached)

scissors

a paper fastener (attached) crayons, colored pencils, markers

#### How to make a pinwheel:

- 1. Cut out the pinwheel on the solid lines only. (see attached page)
- 2. Decorate both sides of the pinwheel. The street of the
- 3. Cut the dotted lines from the four corners to the center circle. Try not to cut into the center circle.
- 4. Use the sharpened pencil to poke a hole through the four tiny dark circles. The pencil point also works well to poke a hole into the straw. Carefully push the pencil through the straw about ½ inch from the top. (PARENTS If the pencil does not work well to make a hole in the straw, **you** may have to use a sharp knife.)
- 5. Make the tiny holes on the four points meet at the center circle.
- 6. Push the ends of the paper fastener through the holes on the pinwheel. Then push the fastener through the center circle.
- 7. Place the straw on the back side of your pinwheel and push the ends of the fastener through the hole in the straw. Open up the fastener by flattening the ends in opposite directions.
- 8. Now you are ready to try out your pinwheel! All you need is a little bit of wind to make your pinwheel spin!

**PARENTS:** This activity will require a lot of help from you. Work with your child on following directions step by step in order to complete a project. Thanks for your support!

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## Part 2

Answer the questions below.

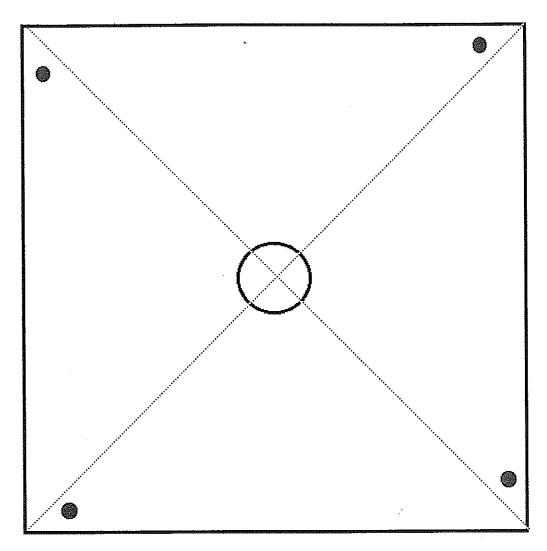
- 1. Does your pinwheel turn freely?
- 2. If you answered no to question 1, what is one thing that you could do to your pinwheel to help it turn more freely? (Parents: You may need to guide your child in answering this question. Help him/her think of why the pinwheel may not be turning freely, and then what could be done to help it do so.)

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3. Draw a picture of a place that you could put a pinwheel so it would move? First, think about what it takes to make a pinwheel move. Then draw a picture of a place where you could find that.

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## **Pinwheel Pattern**



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