



Hiking the Hard Way

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Phonics Skill

Prefixes mid-, mis-

mismatched

midway

mislaid

misstep

midstream

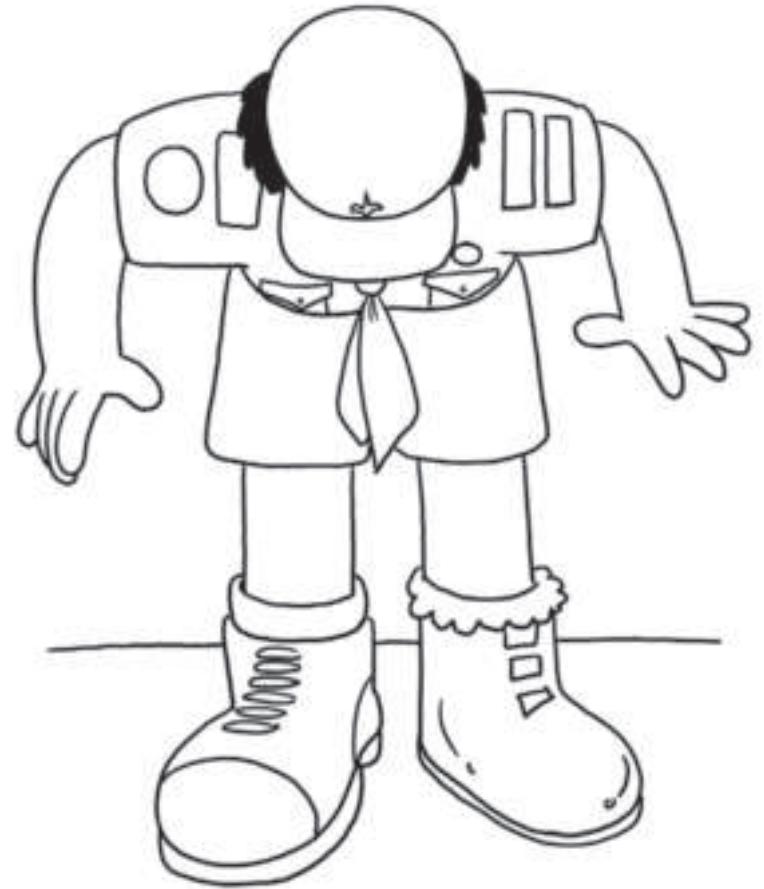
midday

misplaced





Danny was so excited!
His scout troop was going hiking.
He loaded his backpack.
But things started going wrong
right away.



Danny put on his boots
in the darkness.
When he got on the bus,
Danny looked down.
His boots were mismatched!



Midway through the bus trip,
Danny cried, "No, no!"
He had mislaid his water bottle.
It was not in his backpack.
"I have two bottles," Kim said.



At the start of that hike,
they crossed a stream.
Danny took a misstep
and slipped midstream.
Splash! Danny got soaked.



Danny dried off
as they hiked on.
The hikers stopped
at midday for lunch.
Danny was happy to stop.



He looked in his backpack
for his sack lunch.
"I misplaced my lunch!"
Danny cried.
"It must still be on our bus."



Kim gave him part of her lunch.

Then they hiked back.

"I like hiking," Danny said
when he was safe on the bus.

"But it seems that hiking doesn't like me."