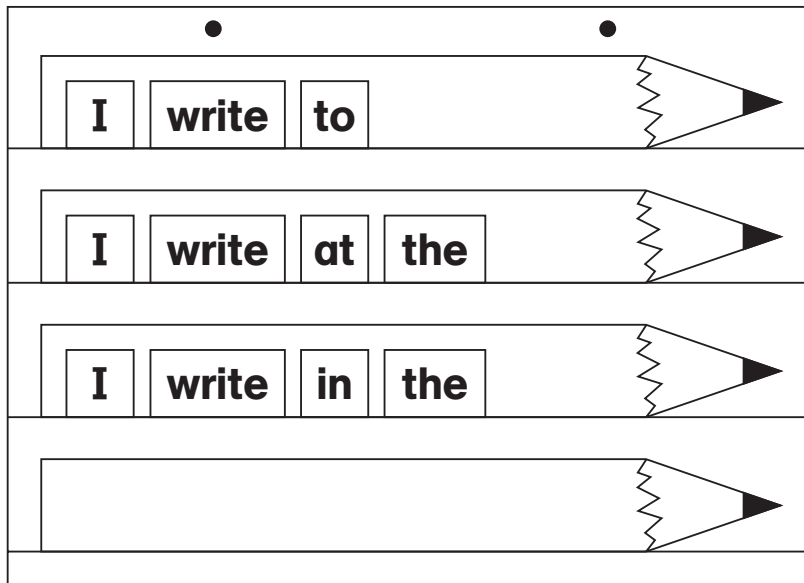


**Materials**

- *Mom* BLM 2
- pocket chart
- construction paper to make pencil shapes and word cards

**Directions**

1. Photocopy, enlarge, and cut out the pencil shape and blank cards on BLM 2. The pencils should fit the pocket on your pocket chart. Place the pencil shapes in the pockets.
2. Write word cards that combine to make a variety of sentence patterns. For example—


**Language Activity**

Lead a discussion about **whom** children might write to. Generate word cards of their responses.

Use the word cards to make sentences that follow the sentence pattern and that feature a final word change. (Example: I write to my mom.) Place the word cards in the pockets. Have children read each new sentence.

Repeat the activity, changing the focus to **where** children write (for example, writing center, library, home, drama center, or computer center). Use the sentence patterns suggested above.

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Photocopy and enlarge.

