

Answer Key for The Magic Stories
Answers are provided for Exercises 1 & 2.
Exercise 3 & 4 are Creative Writing Exercises



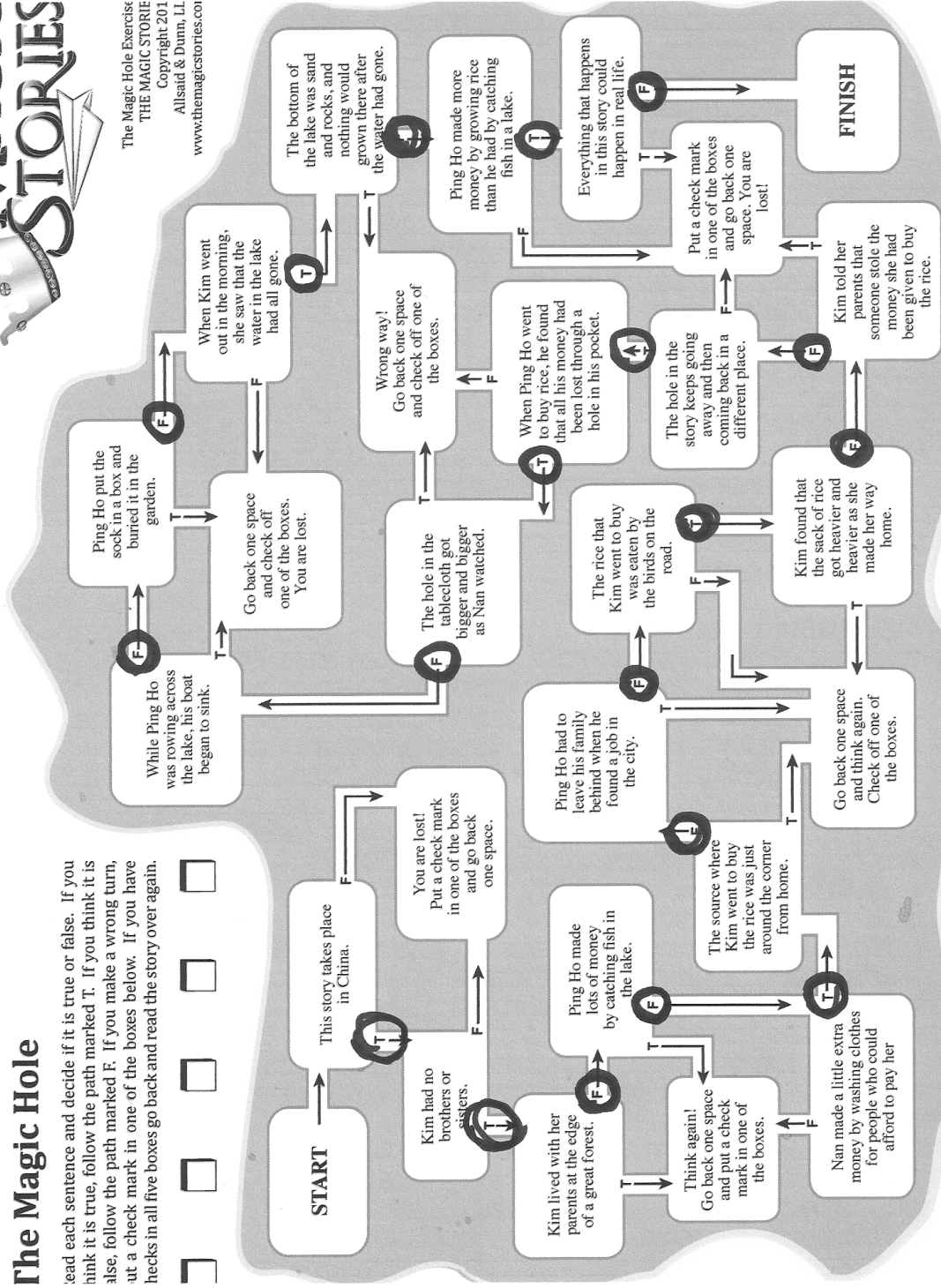
Book 1: Magic Hole: Exercise 1: Maze



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Exercise 1 - Maze
The Magic Hole

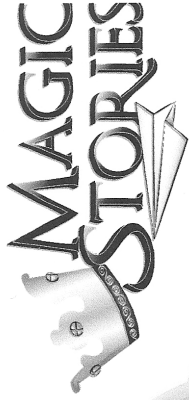
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1. Nan earned money by taking in people's washing.
2. Kim thought she was getting stronger, but in fact the sack was getting lighter as Kim walked home.
3. Kim got a terrible shock when she found a hole in the sack.
4. Kim's parents were puzzled as they couldn't see a hole in the sack.
5. When Ping Ho went to buy rice, he found a hole in his pocket and the money fell out.
6. When Nan went to mend the jacket, she found that there was no hole in the pocket.
7. Nan let out a scream because there was a hole in the tablecloth.
8. The hole got bigger each time it appeared.
9. Ping Ho got rid of the magic hole by putting the sock with the hole in it into a box and dropping it in the lake.
10. Nan and Kim should run for help if the hole attached itself to the bottom of the boat and the boat started to sink.
11. Ping Ho became a rice farmer when he saw little green shoots of rice growing in the empty lakebed.
12. The magic hole brought good luck because the empty lakebed was perfect for growing rice and it became the best rice field in China.

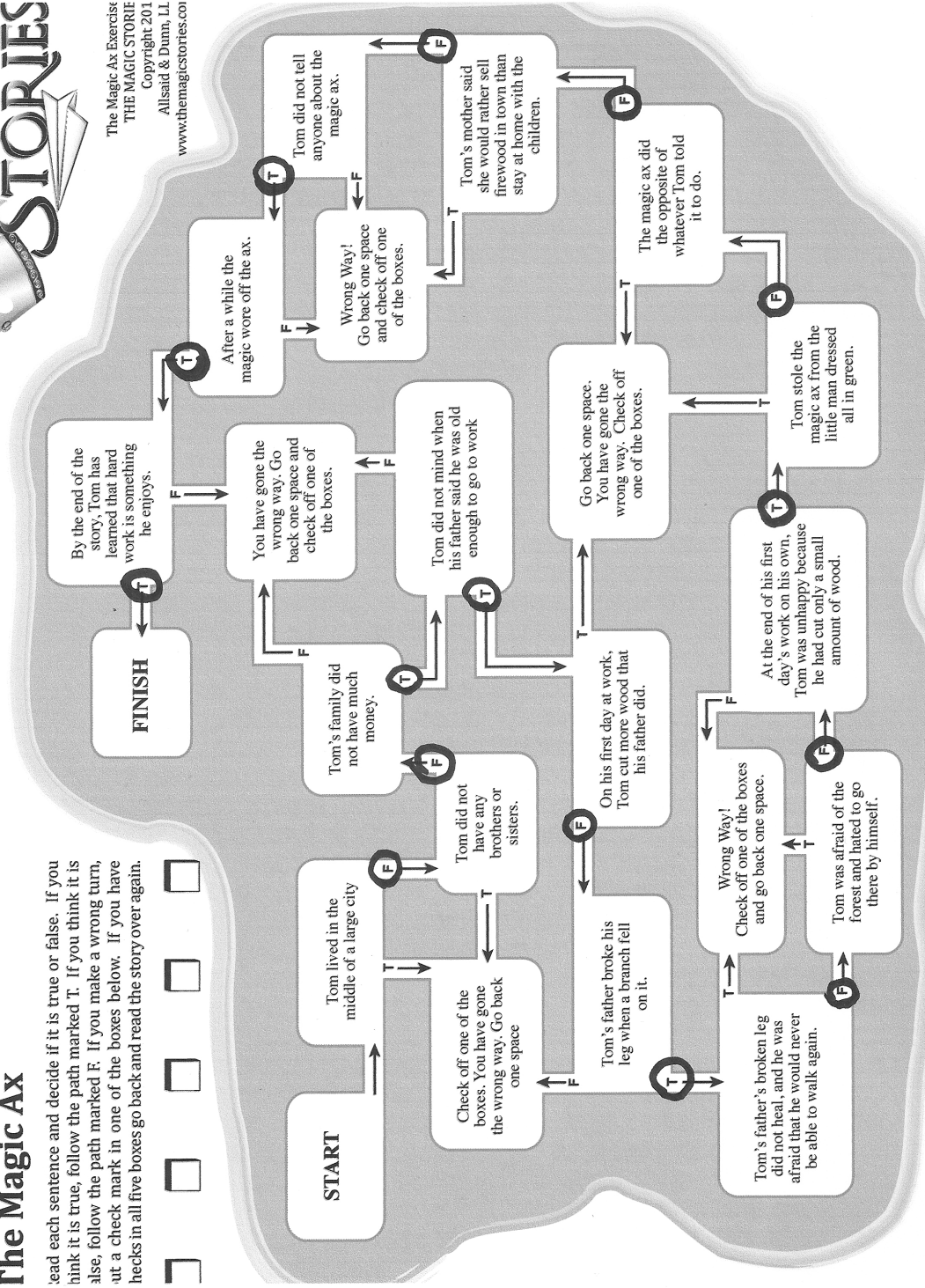
Book 2: Magic Ax: Exercise 1: Maze



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Book 2: Magic Ax: Exercise 2: Finish The Sentence

1. The main characters in the story are Tom, his father, his mother, and the little man dressed in green.
2. Tom liked to catch butterflies.
3. Tom cried because he had only cut a few logs by the end of his first day.
4. Tom knew the ax was magic because it started cutting down trees and chopping them up after he told it to "go to work."
5. Tom's parents were proud of him because he had cut up so much wood.
6. Tom did not want his father to discover his secret of the magic ax.
7. The magic wore off.
8. Tom lied to his parents and took credit for work he didn't do.
9. Tom learned that hard work feels good and gets easier.
10. Tom found that he had become the person his father thought he was.
11. The story has a happy ending because Tom no longer had a secret to hide and he was doing all the work on his own without a magic ax.
12. Creative writing answer for your child to complete.

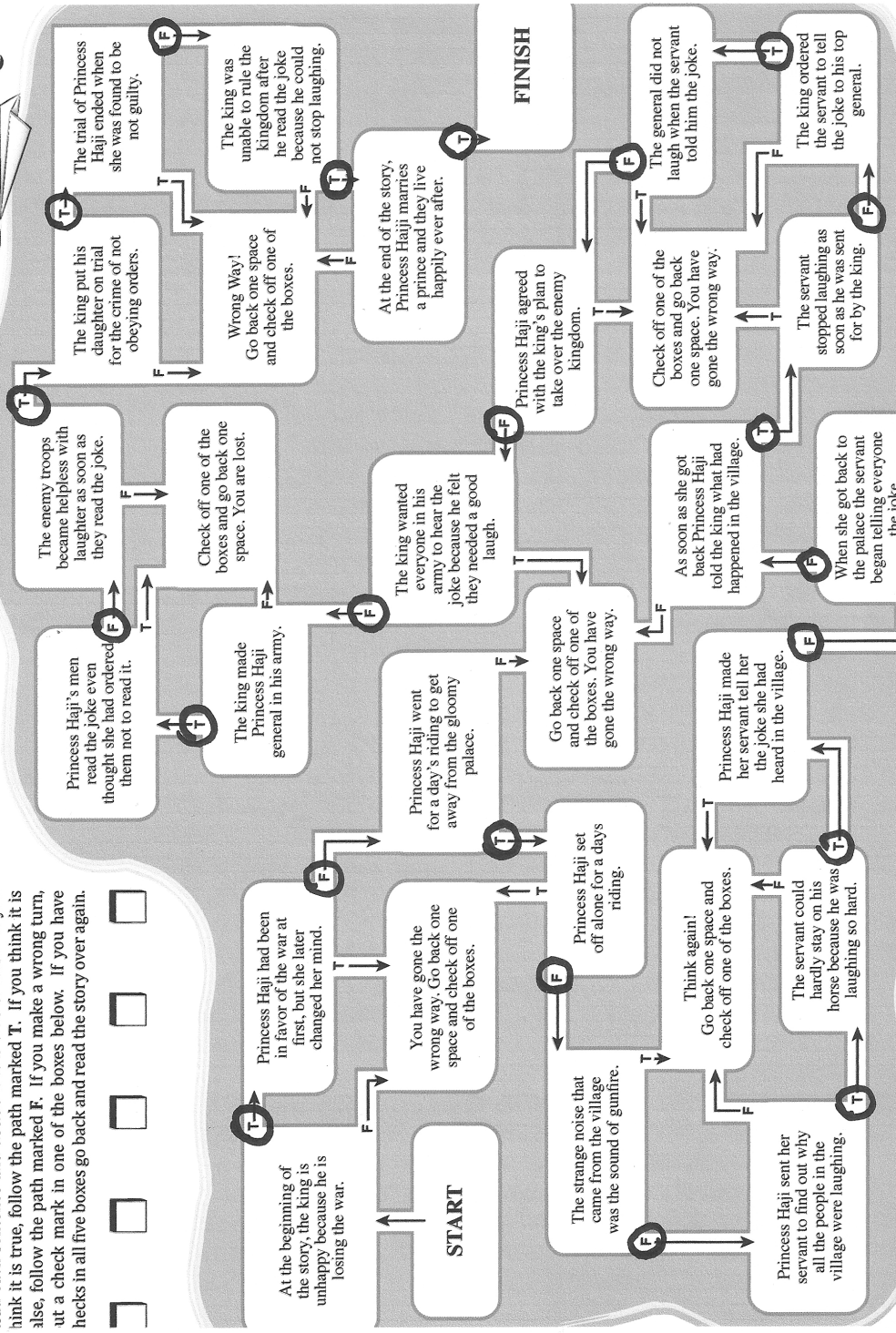
Book 3: Magic Joke: Exercise 1: Maze



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Book 3: Magic Joke: Exercise 2: Finish the Sentence

1. The king is unhappy because his kingdom was at war and they were losing.
2. People tried to cheer the king up by bringing him good news.
3. The princess and her water thought the noise they heard was like water in a stream, splashing and gurgling over rocks and pebbles.
4. The man in the village couldn't speak because he was laughing so hard.
5. The servant was able to find out the reason for the laughter.
6. The king's general thought they should get every enemy soldier to hear the joke.
7. The king wanted the enemy to read the joke so that they could win the war.
8. The king did not want his own men to read the joke as he didn't want his soldiers to fall about in cases of helpless laughter.
9. The princess disobeyed the king by having the king's soldiers also read the joke.
10. The king did not like the way the war ended because he had not "won" the war. Neither side "won."
11. The trial of the princess ended when the king read the joke and couldn't stop laughing.
12. Creative writing answer for your child to complete.
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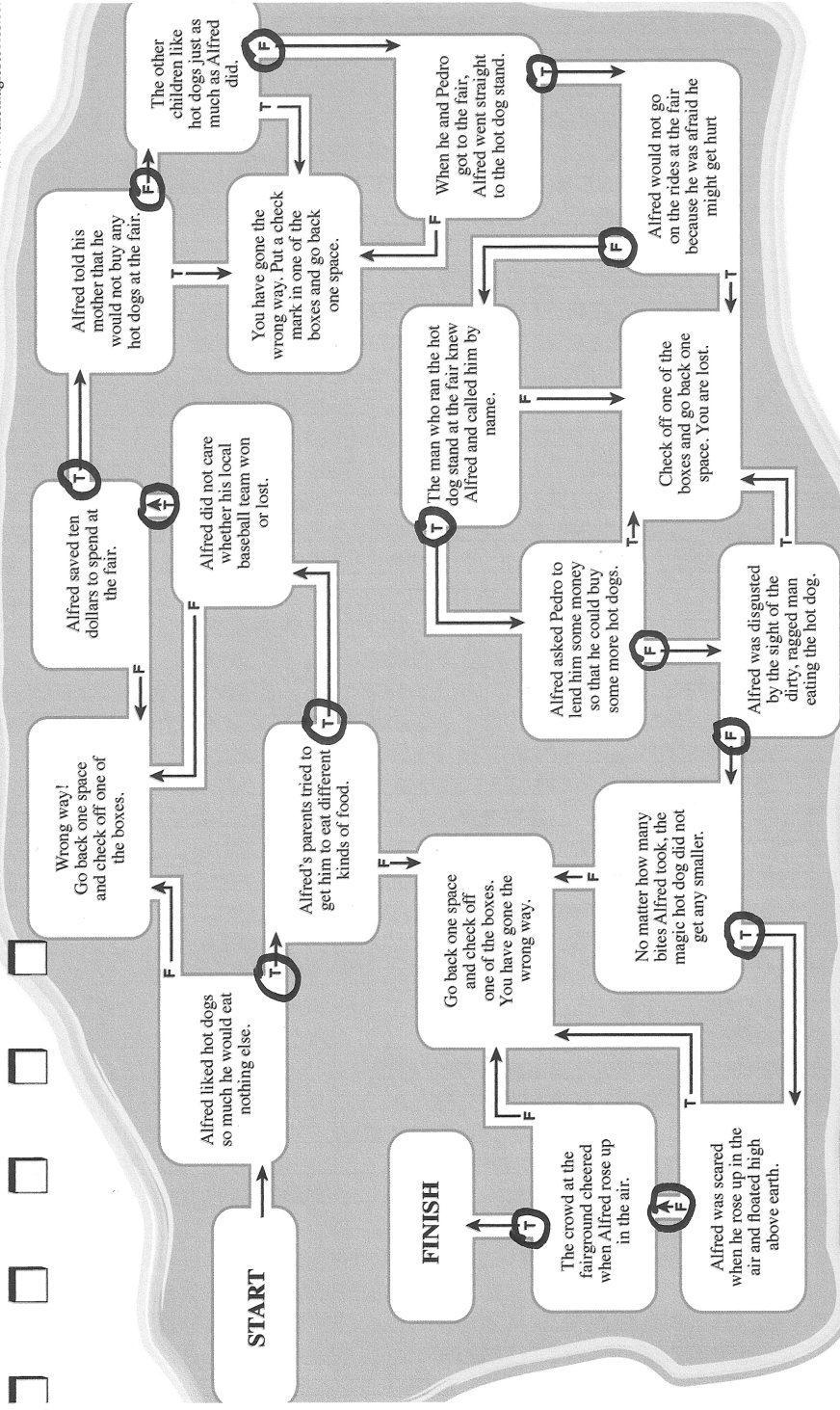
Book 4: Magic Hot Dog: Exercise 1: Maze



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Book 4: Magic Hot Dog: Exercise 2: Finish the Sentence

1. Alfred would only go to parties if there were hot dogs.
2. Alfred's parents tried to get him to try other food, like chicken and salad.
3. Alfred went to the game for the hot dogs.
4. Pedro wanted to win a prize for his mother because she was sick.
5. Pedro saw a dirty and ragged man with yellow teeth and hands thick with dirt.
6. Alfred looked at the man and saw only the hot dog the man was eating.
7. Alfred knew the hot do was magic because it never got any smaller no matter how many bites were taken out of it.
8. If Alfred had seen the sly look the man gave him, he might not have taken the hot dog.
9. Creative writing answer for your child to complete.
10. Alfred does not care that he rose up into the sky like a blimp because he still had the magic hot dog from which he could take bite after bite without it ever getting smaller.
11. In real life, a person who ate as many hot dogs as Alfred would become ill.

Book 5: Magic Boots: Exercise 1: Maze

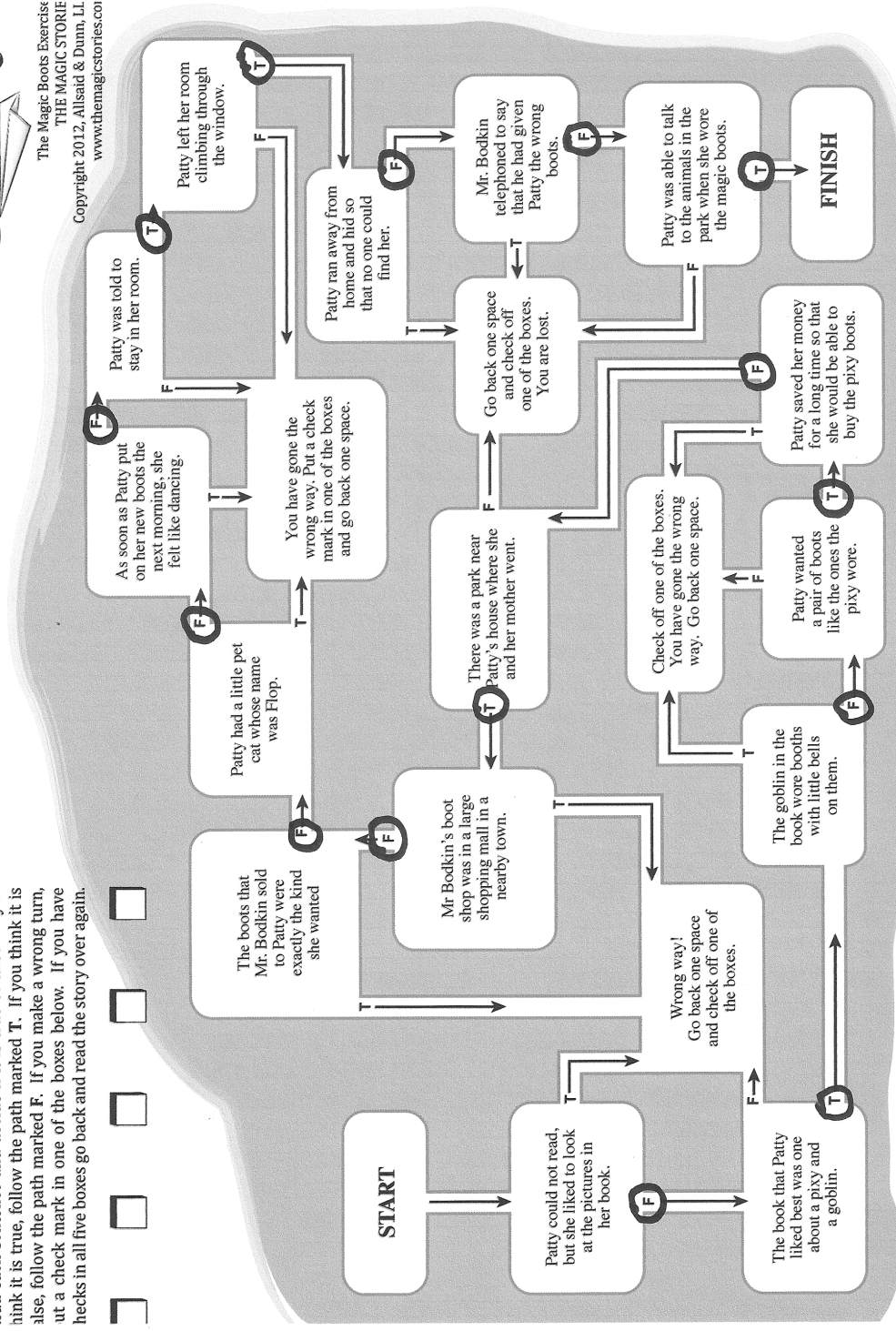


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Exercise 1 - Maze The Magic Boots

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Book 5: Magic Boots: Exercise 2: Finish the Sentence

1. Patty wanted pixy boots, like the ones in her favorite story.
2. Patty liked the pixy boots because they had little bells on them.
3. Patty brought her book to the shop to show Mister Bodkin a picture of the pointed boots with bells that the pixy wore in the story.
4. Patty agreed to take the boots even though they didn't have the bells.
5. When Patty put on the boots in the morning, they made her feel like kicking her dog Flopsy.
6. The reason Patty was kicking everyone was because the boots were not pixy boots but were goblin boots.
7. Mister Bodkin came to Patty's house to bring her the correct pixy boots and take back the goblin boots.
8. As soon as Mister Bodkin took off Patty's boots she moved her feet and blinked.
9. The story has a happy ending because Patty had the pixy boots with the little bells and she could talk to the animals in the forest.
10. Creative writing answer for your child to complete.
11. The animals in the park came up to Patty because she was wearing Pixy boots which allowed her to talk with the animals.
12. This story could not happen in real life because no boots are magic.

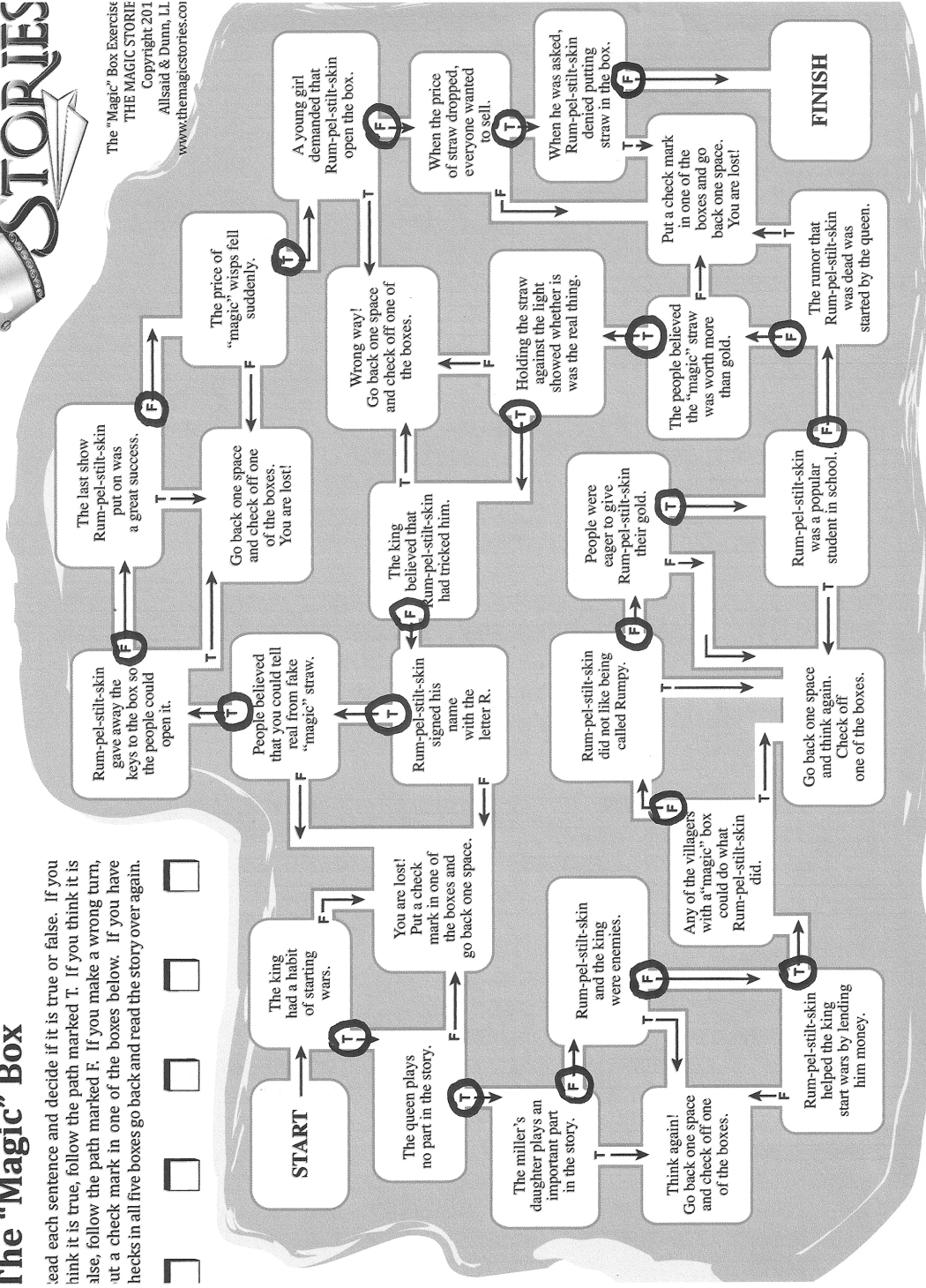
Book 6: Magic Box: Exercise 1: Maze



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Exercise 1 - Maze The "Magic" Box

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Book 6: Magic Box: Exercise 2: Finish the Sentence

1. "Rumpelstiltskin was no fool."
2. The queen never met Rumpelstiltskin.
3. If anyone else tried to turn gold to straw they had a visit from the king's men with a warning.
4. Rumpelstiltskin and the king were very close. Rumpelstiltskin was known as the king's banker.
5. The king had a habit of starting wars.
6. Rumpelstiltskin was the king's banker because he was the richest man in the kingdom and the king borrowed money from him.
7. People believed that the "magic" straw was from a "magic" box and that they were worth even more because Rumpelstiltskin signed a parchment to go with each piece.
8. Rumpelstiltskin shortened his name to R because he had to sign so many pieces of parchment.
9. Experts claimed to be able to tell whether the wisps of straw actually came from gold.
10. When everybody was trying to sell "magic" straw, the price dropped suddenly to half, and kept on falling to a tenth, then a hundredth of what it had been worth.
11. When nobody wanted to buy "magic" straw people denied ever having had pieces of them or ever having wanted them.
12. The "quotes" around "magic" tell us that there wasn't really any magic.
13. Rumpelstiltskin kept the box locked so that the people would not find out it was filled with straw.
14. Rumpelstiltskin stamped so hard that his leg got stuck in the earth and when he tried to pull himself out he tore himself in two.