## **Missing**

### **Before reading**

- Read the title together with the children, and ask: Who is missing?
- Look at the story to confirm the children's prediction. Ensure the children see page 67-4 and page 67-5.

### **During reading**

- Ask the children to read the story. Praise and encourage them for reading with expression and for reading fluently.
- Remind the children to pay attention to long words, e.g. "hamster", "fridge", "cupboard", etc.

### **Observing** Check that the children:

- Notice the long words.
- Use certain strategies to crack those long words.

## Group and independent reading activities

#### **Text level work**

# **Objective** To describe story incidents and relate them to own experience. To work out meaning using graphic and contextual clues.

- Recap all the places where they have looked for Jaws. Write them down on the board: couch, sink, cupboard, floorboards, clothes basket.
- Ask the children to their experience of missing something. Ask: How did you lose it? Where did you find it? Did you expect to find it there?

- Ask the children: What is missing? Who found Jaws?
- Ask the children to retell the story. Ask them to include major incidents and omit unnecessary details. Encourage them to check the book to see if they were right.
- Ask: Why did Nadim call the hamster Jaws? Ask the children to look at the picture and find jaw prints.

**Observing** Are the children able to identify the major events of the story? Can they relate the events to their own experience?

### Sentence level work

**Objective** To read with appropriate expression and intonation.

- Listen to the recording and notice the intonation.
- Choose one child for each character. Encourage and praise them for reading with expression and intonation.

**Observing** Are the children able to use different expression and intonation for various context?

### **Word level work**

**Objective** To spilt long words into phonemes and pronounce the words.

- Go through the story with the students and find out all the difficult long words, e.g. "missing", "cupboard", "hamster", "maybe", etc.
- Ask the children to underline the phonemes of each word, for example, "missing". Encourage them to join miss and -ing to pronounce the word.

**Observing** Can they notice that "cupboard" is made up of two separate words, "cup" and "board"?

## Speaking and listening activities

**Objectives** Focus on major events; share experiences.

- In a circle time, remind the children about the story, then ask the children: What would you do when you couldn't find something?
- Ask: Why could Floppy find Jews?

### Writing

**Objective** To write a simple story with complete story settings.

- Ask the children to retell the story in simple sentences.
- Ask the children to write their own experience, including: What did you lose? How did you lose it? Did you try to find it? Did you ask for any help from others? Where did you find it?