

Lesson 89 - Forgetful Ben

Aims

To learn that taking care of things is important

To learn that when children listen to parents they learn good habits

Materials

* Picture cards of good and bad habits

* Story - Forgetful Ben

* Objects for the story - Bill and Ben cut-outs, socks, a toothbrush, coloured pencils, teddy bear

* Objects for craft activity - shoe boxes, stickers to decorate the boxes, name labels, glue scissors

Lesson Outline

1. Introduction
 2. Story & Discussion
 3. Activities
 4. Review the aims
 5. Prayer
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1) Introduction

* Show good and bad pictures to do with taking care of things at home. Discuss the pictures. Ask what is the right and wrong thing to do. Which one does each child do?

- *putting clothes away carefully*
- *putting toys away*
- *washing hands after going to the toilet*
- *taking bath clothes away*
- *wiping shoes before entering the house*
- *taking dirty dishes away*

* Do you forget to do them? Today's story is about a boy who was very forgetful

2) Story & Discussion

As you read the story use the Ben and Bill cut-outs, socks, toothbrush and teddy bear. If necessary, add extra objects that Ben might lose, such as a cup, pyjamas and coloured pencils

- * Which things couldn't Ben find? - *red socks, green toothbrush, teddy bear*
- * Why did Ben cry? - *He was very sad. He lost his teddy bear, his favourite thing in the whole world.*
- * What did he do next? - *He prayed.*
- * What did he promise God? - *to put things where they belong and listen to his mummy*
- * What did Ben's mum do to help him? - *make a box for his special things*
- * Are you like Ben or Bill?

- * Do you forget to do things sometimes, like putting your toys away?
- * How do you feel when you can't find something that you want?
- * Do you listen to your mummy and daddy when they ask you take care of things?
- * Why is it important to take care of things?
- * What can you learn from the story?

4) Activities

- * Children make their own box to keep special things. They stick their name on top and coloured pictures on the sides. Children take home their boxes to keep special things in
- * Colour a picture
- * Play the memory game using the good and pictures

5) Review the aims

- * to learn that taking care of things is important
- * to learn that when children listen to parents they learn good habits

6) Prayer

Forgetful Ben



Ben



Bill

There were twin brothers called Bill and Ben. They looked alike, but they were really very different. Bill looked after his toys and clothes, while Ben was always forgetting where he put things.

BEN: *Mummy! I can't find my red socks!*

MUMMY: *Where did you put them Ben?*

BEN: *I can't remember.*

Everybody started searching for his red socks.

BILL: *Here they are, Ben! In the bath!*

MUMMY: *You should always put your socks in your drawer, Ben. Will you do that?*

BEN: *Yes, Mummy.*

But Ben forgot. Later that day...

BEN: *Mummy, I can't find my green toothbrush.*

MUMMY: *Where did you put it?*

BEN: *I can't remember.*

Everybody searched for his green toothbrush.

BILL: *Here it is Ben! On the the TV!*

MUMMY: *You should always leave it in the bathroom, Ben. Will you do that?*

BEN: *Yes, Mummy.*

But, he forgot. This is how it was everyday. He was always losing things and that's why he was called 'Forgetful Ben.' Then one day Ben lost his favourite thing in the whole world, his teddy bear.

BEN: *Mummy! I can't find my teddy bear!*

He looked everywhere; in his bed, under his bed, in the bathroom, the kitchen Everybody looked and looked and looked. But they couldn't find his favourite teddy bear. Ben was very sad and he started to cry.

BEN: *Why am I so forgetful? Why don't I listen to Mummy and look after things. Then this would never happen.*

What could he do? He decided to pray.

BEN: *Heavenly Father, please help me to find my teddy bear. I'm really going to listen to Mummy if I find it. And I promise to put things where they belong.*

After praying, Ben thought ... and thought ... and thought ... Then he remembered throwing it on top of the big wardrobe.

BEN: *Mummy! Mummy! I've found it! I've found it! Yippee! I promise to always listen to you and put things where they belong. I promise! I promise! I promise!*

Then his mummy had an idea.

MUMMY: *Bill! Bring your box here please!*

Bill had a shoe box where he kept lots of things.

MUMMY: *This is what you need Ben. I've got another box for you, where you can keep special toys. Come, let's decorate it!*

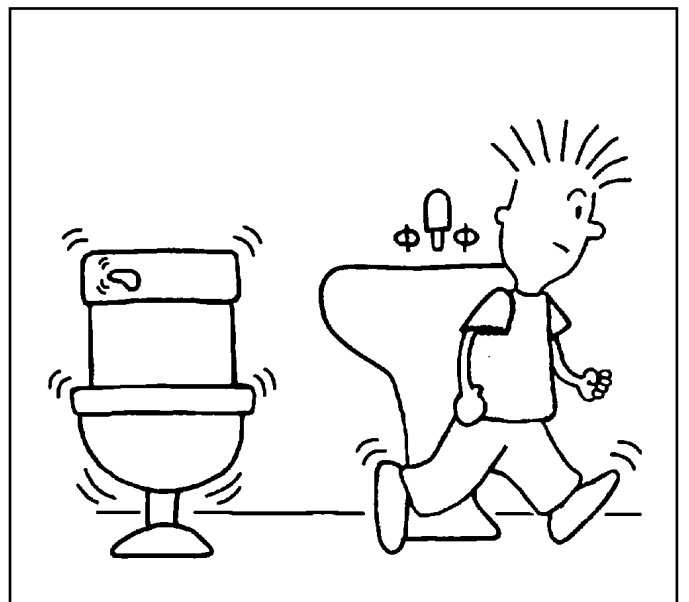
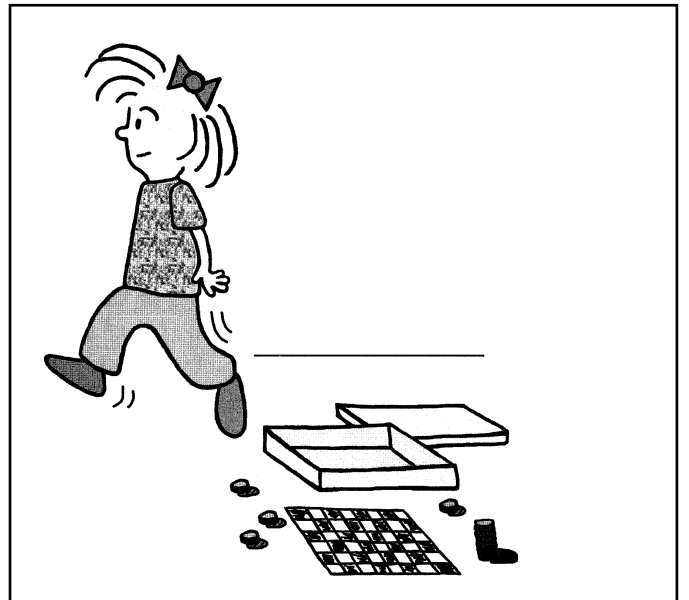
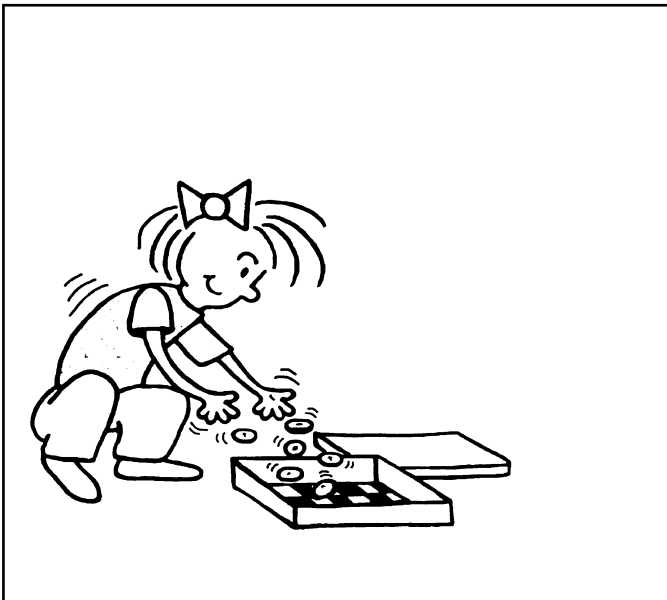
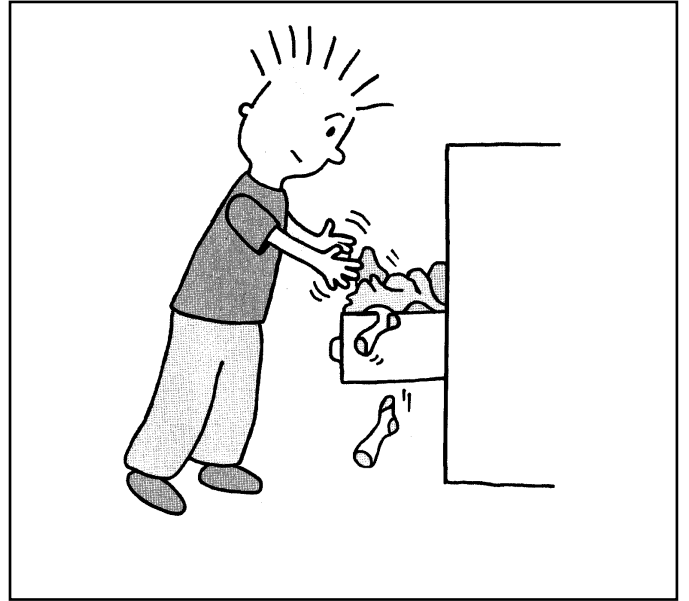
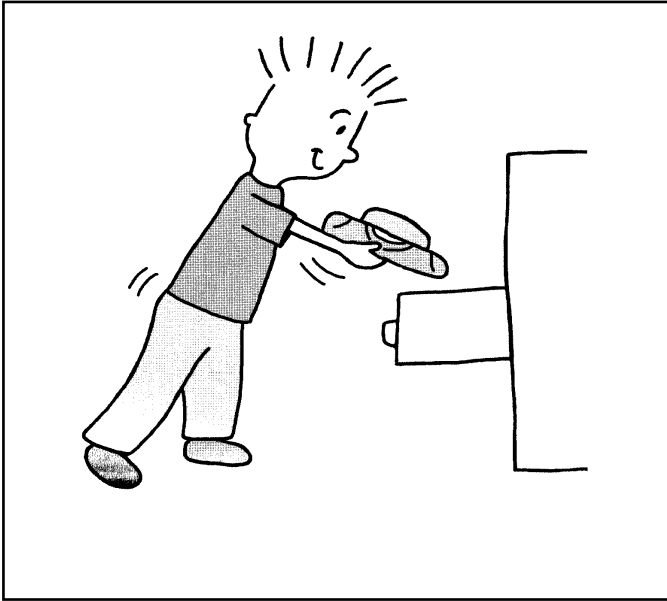
From then on, He tried very hard to listen to what his mother said. His box reminded him to put special things there. And he always knew where to find them.

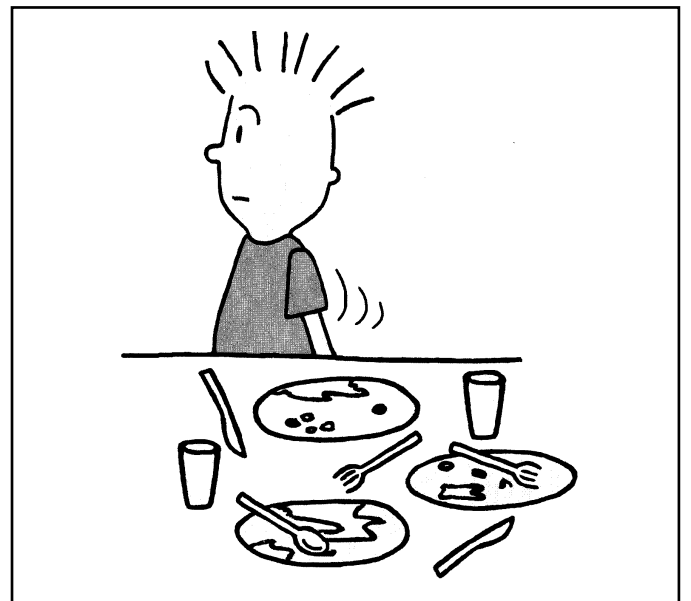
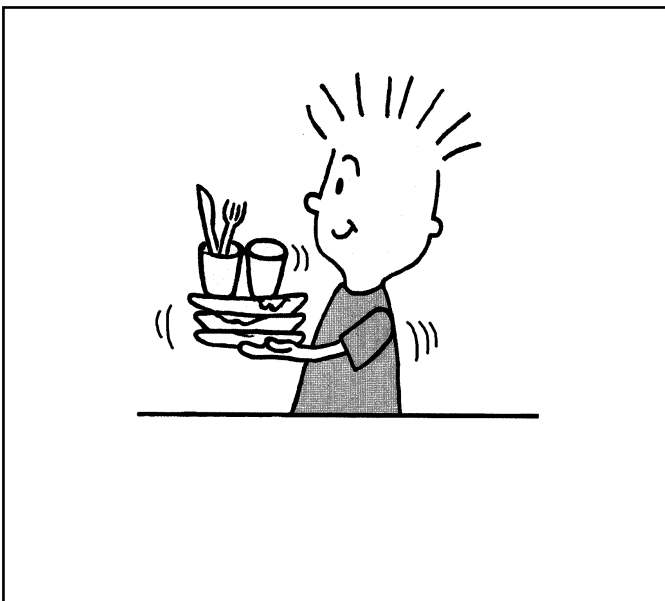
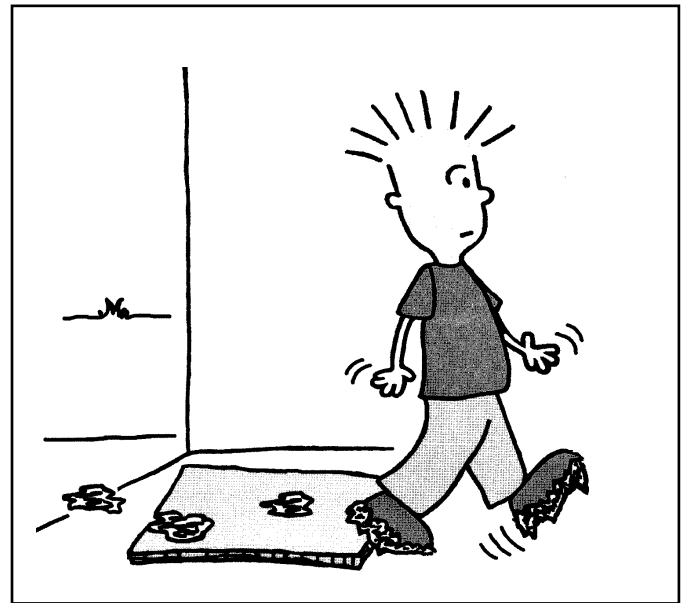
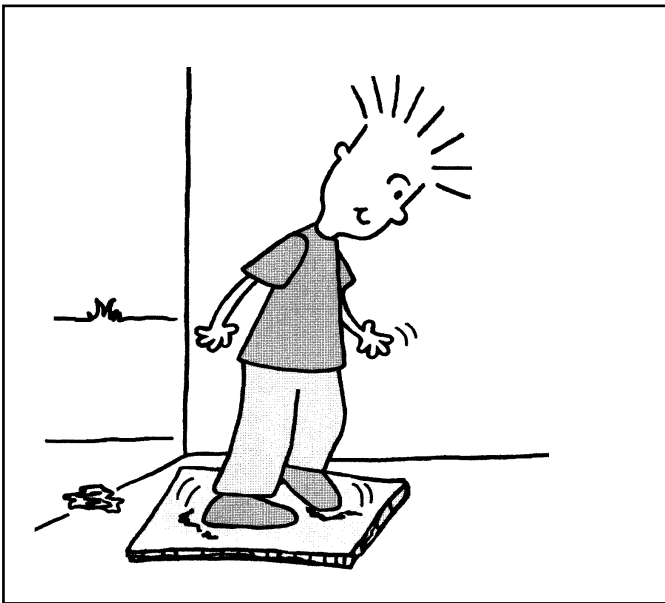
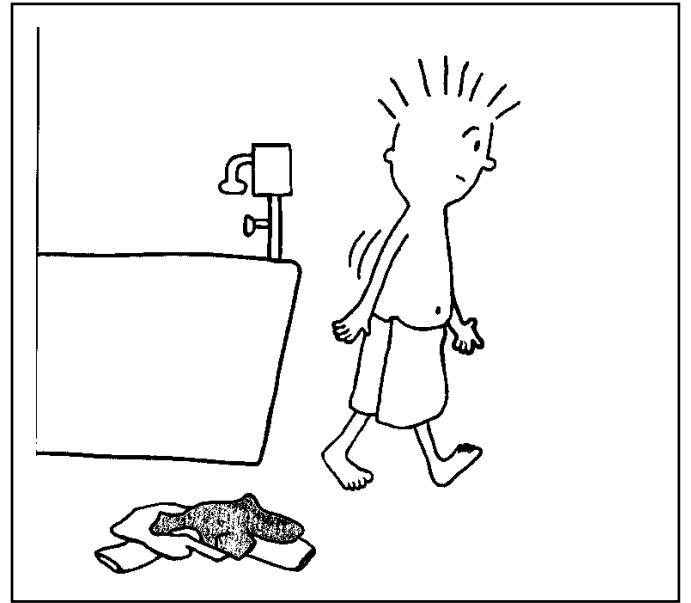
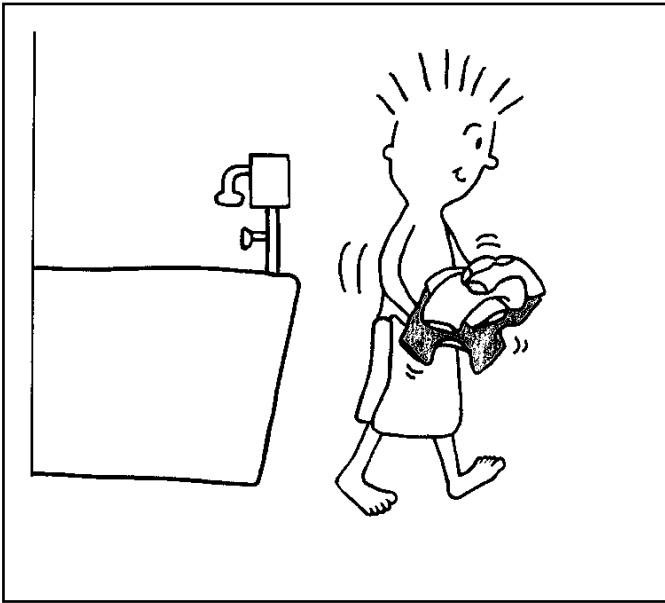


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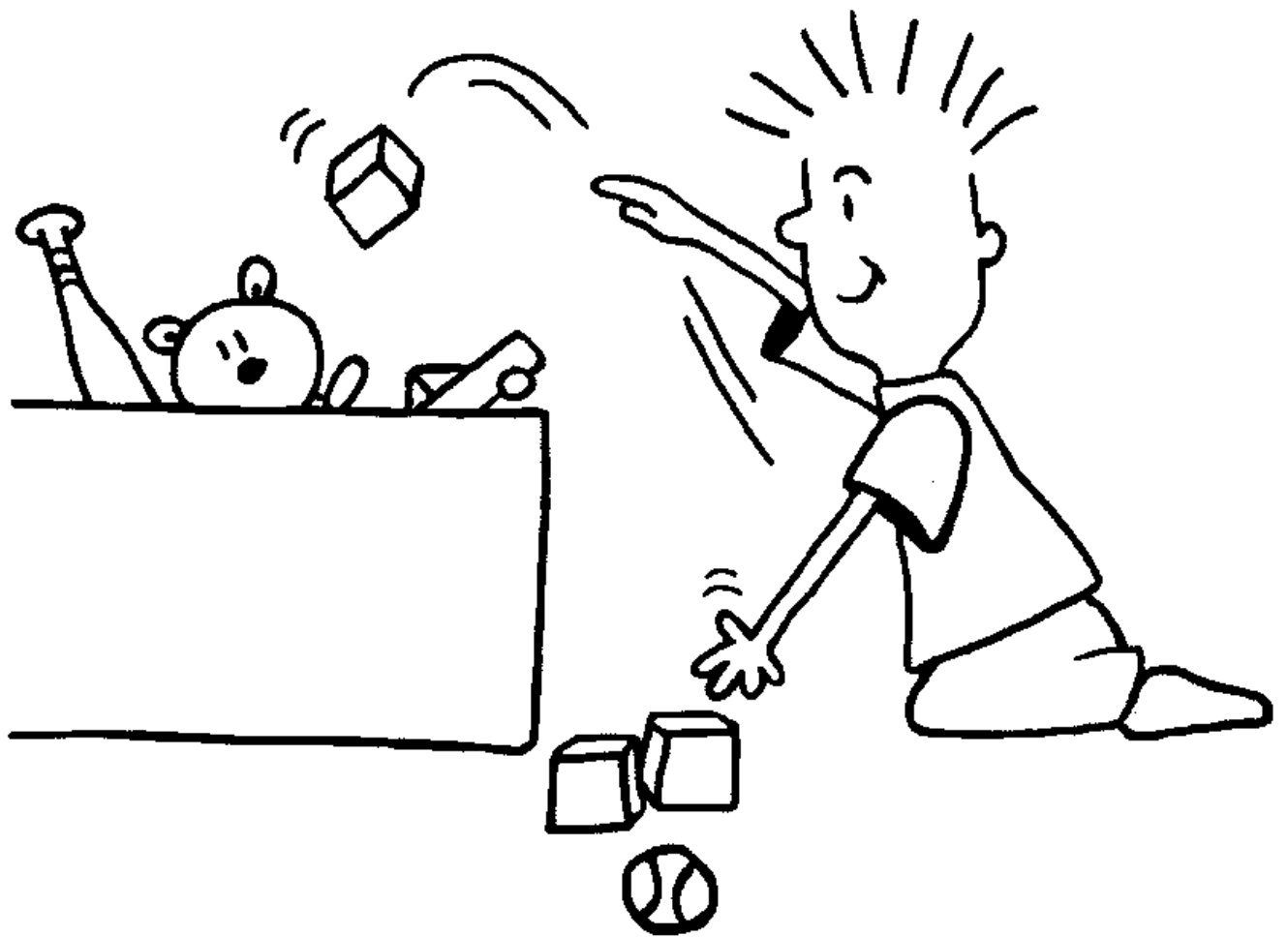


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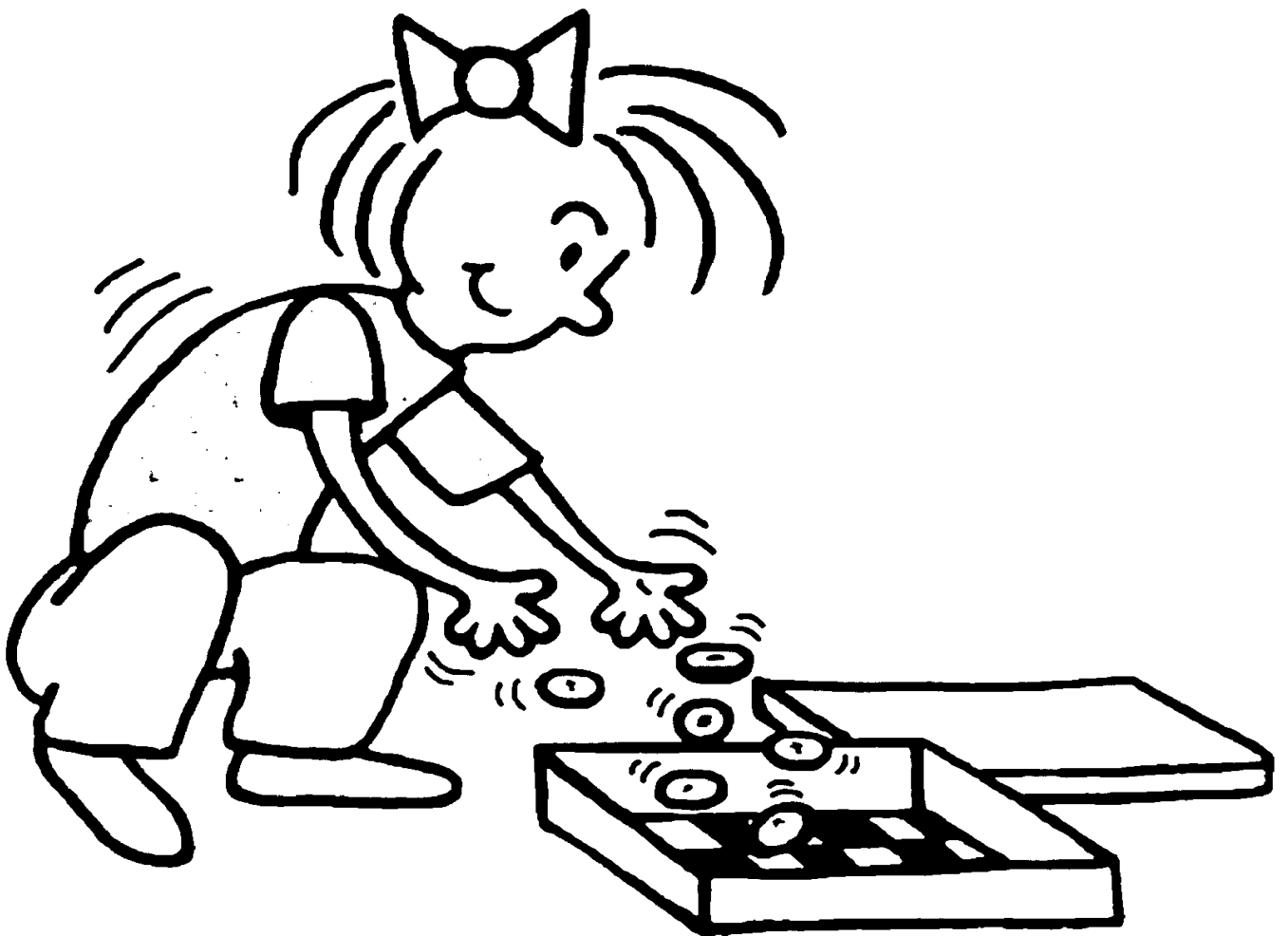




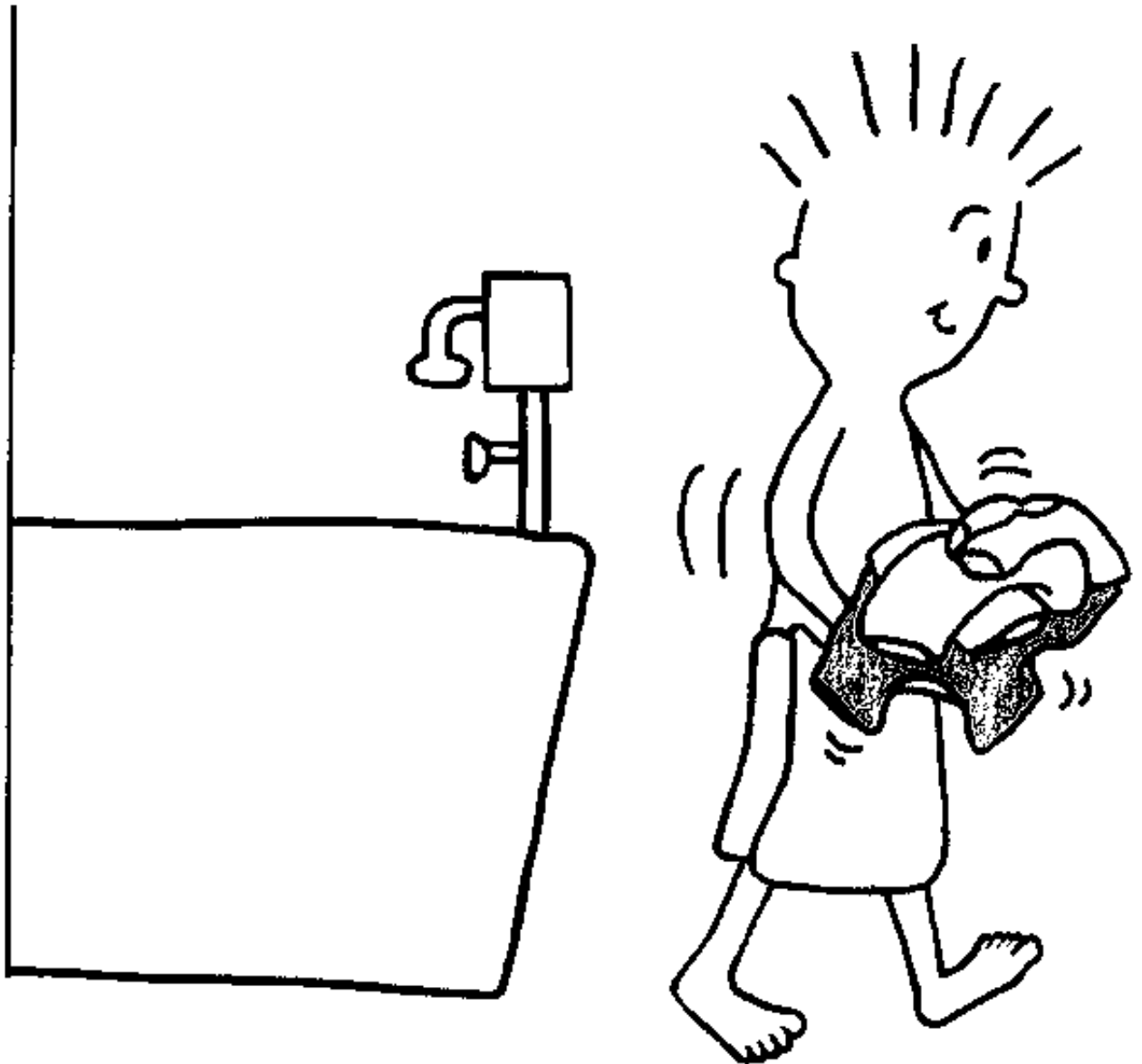
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Ben's Box

