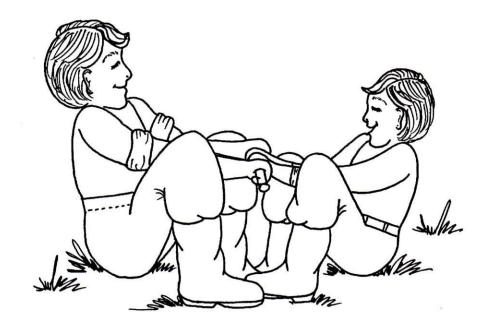


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## "Forever Brothers" Hyrum & Joseph Family Home Evening Packet



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# Home Evening Outline

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Suggested Songs: "Home", pg. 192 (Children's)
"A Happy Family", pg. 198 (Children's)
"Families Can Be Together Forever", pg. 188 (Children's)
"Love One Another", pg. 308 (Hymn)

**Scriptures:** Mosiah 4:14-15, John 15:13

**Story:** Color graphics with markers, colored pencils, chalks, etc. Use flannel, or laminate and cut out and place magnets on back of graphics, etc.

"Family Road Rally" Game: Preparation - Color the two gameboard sheets as desired. Place the two sheets side by side with the "Start" sheet on the left and the "Finish" sheet on the right. Tape the laminate and cut out. Color two matching "Hazard" cards to match the color of each car. For example: If you colored a car red, color two "Hazard" Rivalry cards red. Each car should have two matching "Hazard" cards of the same color. There are two "Wild Hazard" cards. Color each letter a different color to match the colors used on your car game pieces. Color the number cards as you wish, but color all of the "ones" the same, all of the "twos" the same, and so on. Color the "Forever Family Fuel" and the "Family Safety" cards as you wish. You may want to back the cards with a darker colored paper wo sheets together on the back side of the sheets. Laminate game board. Choose eight different colors to color the car game pieces and "Hazard" cards. Color each car game piece a different color, to prevent someone being able to see through the cards. Laminate all of the cards and cut out on the dotted lines. Object- To be the first player to get his car to the "Finish" position.

Play-Mix up the cards and place them face-down somewhere on the playing surface. Have each player choose a colored car game piece and place it on "Start". Each player then draws three cards from the draw pile. Determine which player should go first. The first player to go chooses one of his three cards to play. Here are the instructions for what each card does: "Number Cards" - These cards have the numbers 1-6 on them. The number on the card determines how many spaces the car can be moved. The "Hazard" Cards - The player whose turn it is turns the "Hazard" card facedown on the playing surface, and yells out "HAZARD!" Each of the other remaining players must determine for himself whether or not the "Hazard" card in question matches the color of his own car. If and the "Hazard" card matches the color of his car, that car is sent back to the "Start" position. If the "Hazard" card does not match any of the cars being used, none of the cars are affected by the "Hazard" card. If one or more cars are occupying a "Home Safe Home" space, they are protected from the "Hazzard" cards. If any one of the players has a "Family Safety" card, he can play it at this time. This card is placed face-up on the playing surface in front of the player and can only be played once a "Hazard" card has been laid down. This card protects the car and regardless of whether the "Hazard" card matches the color of his car or not, the car game piece is left occupying the same space. If any one of the players have a "Forever Family Fuel" card, they can also play this card once a "Hazard" card has been laid. This card allows the car to be moved ahead to the next "Home Safe Home" space, and the car is then protected from being sent back to the "Start" position. A "Wild Hazard" card is played the same way a "Hazard" card is played. The card is laid face-down on the playing surface, and the player yells out "HAZARD!" This card will send any car who did not play one of the two safety cards back to the "Start" position. Every time a card is played, the player must draw another card from the draw pile, so that he always has three cards in his hand. If you run out of cards in the draw pile, simply re-shuffle the cards from the discard pile and then turn them face-down on the playing surface. Be sure to use this game as an object lesson. Each of the "Hazard" cards gives any of the players believe that the "Hazard" card in question matches his own car, he can play one of two safety cards if he has them in his hand. If a player does not have one of the two safety cards, an example of things that can be detrimental to family relationships, whereas the number cards give examples of things that can build strong relationships with our family members.

# Old Fashioned "Forever Family" Fudge In A Bag

This is a fun Family Home Evening treat! Prepare the treat before the lesson so it will be set when you finish. Have each family member mix his own bag. You may want to double the recipe in each bag!

## Ingredients

- Freezer Zip-Lock Bags
- 1 tbsp. butter (not margarine)
  - 1 tbsp. cream cheese
    1/2 cup powdered sugar
    - 1 tbsp. cocoa
      - 1/4 tsp. vanilla

**Instructions:** Put dry ingredients in a bag and shake. Add rest of ingredients, seal bag tightly and mix with fingers. Refrigerate two hours or freeze 1/2 hour (or until set.) Remove from bag and

A special Thank You to Diane Tulak of Ontario, California for sharing this wonderful recipe with us!

### "Forever Brothers" - Hyrum and Joseph

Have you ever argued with one of your sisters or brothers? Do you always get along with your family members? No family is perfect. Most brothers and sisters have times when they don't get along, but they still love each other very much. Heavenly Father has asked us to love our families and to be kind to our siblings and parents. One of the greatest examples we have of brotherly love is the relationship between Joseph and Hyrum Smith.

Many brothers have very special relationships. Brothers can have fun together, do things together and grow up together as best friends. Hyrum and Joseph Smith had this kind of love for each other.

Both boys were born to Lucy Mack and Joseph Smith, Sr. Hyrum was born on February 9, 1800 in Tunbridge, Vermont where the Smiths owned a farm. Almost six years later on December 23, 1805, Joseph was born. The Smith family eventually had eleven children, but unfortunately, two of them died when they were just days old. The others were, in order: Alvin, Hyrum, Sophronia, Joseph Jr., Samuel, William, Catharine, Don Carlos, and Lucy.

When the children were young, the Smith family moved many times while their father worked several different jobs. It was a hard time for them but the children found time to play and have fun with each other. They worked when they could to help the family. Joseph and Hyrum were particularly close and loved to compete with each other in sporting events.

Both boys enjoyed attending barn raisings. When a neighbor needed to have a barn built, all the people in the area would come for the day and work to build a barn. The women would bring pies and cakes and prepare wonderful meals while the men and older boys would erect the barn. Joseph was only five years old and Hyrum, eleven years old, when they would help the older men.

After the barn was raised, the boys would join in friendly competitions of wrestling and pulling sticks. Joseph Smith, Sr. would win almost every contest in which he took part. Joseph and Hyrum both developed great physical strength, as well as wonderful inner strength and a strong belief in God.

In the fall of 1811, the family settled in Lebanon, New Hampshire. The Smith children had not been able to go to school until this move and their mother, Lucy, arranged for them to finally attend. Hyrum was sent to the Moor's Charity School when he was eleven. Two years later, Hyrum came back home, very ill, only to find that several of his brothers and sisters were sick, too. A severe epidemic of Typhoid Fever had broken out and it was a very scary time. Joseph also got very sick. His illness got so bad that it caused a condition in his left leg called Osteomyelitis. This caused Joseph to be in great pain. It was during this time that Hyrum took care of his little brother, nursing him and giving him support. Hyrum was known for being a kind and compassionate boy. It was while Joseph was so sick that the two brothers became forever close to each other.

Joseph had developed a huge fever sore between his shoulder and his chest. When the doctor saw it, he lanced it to let out the infection. (To lance something means to make a cut in it.) This infection then spread through Joseph's body down to his leg. Joseph was quoted as saying, "Oh, Father, the pain is so severe. How can I bear it?"

Hyrum sat by Joseph's bed almost constantly. As Joseph's pain became unbearable, Hyrum would clasp his hands around the most painful part of Joseph's leg and hold it tightly to relieve the pressure. After three weeks the family had to send for the surgeon twice. He cut open the wounded leg to let out the infection both times but the leg still didn't heal. Finally, several doctors were called in and they decided that they would have to amputate Joseph's leg.

Joseph's mother, Lucy, pleaded with the doctors to try one more time to save the leg. She wouldn't let them back into Joseph's room until they promised they would try something different. They consented.

It was agreed upon that a new kind of surgery would be performed on Joseph's leg. The doctors wanted to bind Joseph to the bed with cords so he wouldn't move during the operation. Joseph wouldn't allow it nor would he let them give him wine to deaden the pain. He believed that he could stand it without any extra help from them.

Joseph would not allow his mother to stay in the room with him. With tears in his eyes, he looked up at her and said, "The Lord will help me. I shall get through with it, so do leave me and go a way off, till they get through with it." The doctors then removed a small piece of bone from Joseph's leg and after many days, Joseph was healed.

Through the years, Joseph and Hyrum's love for each other deepened. In the fall of 1818, the family moved to a farm that was two miles south of Palmyra, New York. It was here that Joseph later went into a grove of trees near their farm to pray. He wanted desperately to know which church was the "true" church.

When the family first arrived in Palmyra, there were twenty-five hundred inhabitants. Everyone assisted each other in getting settled and planting crops. There was great soil in the area and they planted apple and peach trees. They raised cattle, sheep, hogs, chickens and horses and a garden with potatoes, turnips, cabbage, and squash. The family could also gather wild blackberries, strawberries and cranberries. It was a wonderful environment for the Smith boys.

It was then, in the spring of 1820, that Joseph had a vision where he saw our Heavenly Father and His son, Jesus Christ. When Joseph told Hyrum what had happened, Hyrum believed him. Joseph taught Hyrum those things that he had been taught, sharing his experiences with him until Hyrum's testimony became strong and unbreakable.

Joseph told Hyrum that he had been visited several times by an angel called Moroni, and that he had been told he was to translate a marvelous book into English that would contain the true gospel of Jesus Christ.

On November 2, 1826, Hyrum married Jerusha Barden. Joseph married Emma Hale on January 18, 1827. The two brothers remained close, never being apart for more than six months at a time. Joseph had moved to Harmony, Pennsylvania and had finally begun the translation of the Book of Mormon. Hyrum visited Joseph twice during the years of 1828 and 1829 to see how the work was progressing. In June of 1829, Hyrum was baptized in Seneca Lake, New York.

When the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints was organized on April 6, 1830, it began with six men, including Joseph and Hyrum. Hyrum was also one of the eight witnesses who was privileged to see and hold the gold plates.

In the coming years in which Hyrum served several missions, the two brothers were rarely separated. Hyrum was then ordained as an assistant President of the Church in December of 1834. Three years later, he became the Second Counselor in the First Presidency with Joseph and Sidney Rigdon.

There were many times when the brothers were arrested and put in jail for their beliefs. Hyrum then made the ultimate sacrifice for his brother and the Church.

On June 25, 1844, Joseph voluntarily surrendered at the Carthage Jail. Hyrum, who always faithfully stood by his brother, voluntarily accompanied Joseph. On June 27, 1844, an angry mob stormed the Carthage Jail where Joseph, Hyrum, John Taylor and Willard Richards had been kept on false charges. Hyrum rushed to hold the door shut when they heard the men coming and he was shot through the door. Joseph leaped from the window and was shot as he fell.

The brothers died for a cause in which they believed. They supported each other in life and death. "Greater love hath no man than he lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13).

If we live righteously, our families will be with us throughout eternity. How we treat each other and how much we love each other is very important, for these relationships will remain far into the future.

#### **DISCUSSION**

- •Do we all love our brothers and sisters as much as Joseph and Hyrum loved each other?
- •How can we develop that love for each other?
- •Would you stand behind a brother or sister who confided to you that they had seen a vision?
- •What can we each do to show our love for our brothers and sisters?

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### "Forever Brothers" - Hyrum and Joseph

#### (Younger Children's Version)

Do you and your brothers and sisters ever argue with each other? Do you ever get mad at one of your brothers or sisters? Most brothers and sisters have times when they don't get along, but they still love each other very much.

When we love our brothers and sisters, we can become very best friends. Our prophet, Joseph Smith, loved his brothers and sisters very much. There was one brother that Joseph was especially close to and his name was Hyrum.

Hyrum was almost six years older than Joseph. There were also other sisters and brothers in the Smith family and their names were: Alvin, Sophronia, Samuel, William, Catharine, Don Carlos and Lucy.

When Joseph and Hyrum were little boys, their family moved many, many times. This was hard on the children because they could never go to school. The children worked hard to help the family buy the supplies and things that they needed.

Joseph and Hyrum loved to go to barn raisings. If one of the Smith's neighbors needed to have a new barn built, all of the people in the area would come and help them put it together. The men and older boys would cut wood and put the barn together while the women and girls would cook a delicious meal. The tables would be filled with pies, cakes, fresh bread and meat. It was a fun time for everyone. Joseph began helping at barn raisings when he was only five years old and Hyrum was eleven.

When all the work on the barn was finished, all of the men would challenge each other to wrestling matches or stick-pulling contests. Joseph and Hyrum would sit on the ground, facing each other. They would put the soles of their feet together and each hold on to a large stick between them. They would then pull on the stick and push with their feet until someone was pulled over and out of his place. Even though Joseph and Hyrum were very competitive with each other, they grew to love each other more every day.

When Joseph was only seven years old, he, Hyrum and most of their brothers and sisters became very sick with a disease called Typhoid Fever. It was a terrible illness and many people in the town where they lived also became ill. Joseph was so sick that it affected one of his legs. A very big sore appeared on Joseph's left leg and caused a condition known as Osteomyelitis.

Joseph's leg hurt very much. Hyrum loved Joseph so much that he stayed with him almost all of the time for three weeks. When Joseph's leg would ache, Hyrum would clasp his hands around it and press hard so that the pressure would make the pain go away. This was hard for Hyrum to press hard for so long, but because he loved Joseph so much, he stayed with him day and night.

In the year 1818, the Smith family moved to Palmyra, New York where they lived on a farm. Joseph and Hyrum learned to plant vegetables and to raise animals. They had cows, sheep, pigs, chickens and horses. They planted wonderful gardens with potatoes, turnips, cabbage and squash. They ate the fruit from their peach and apple trees. They could even go into the lands around them and find wild blackberries, strawberries and cranberries. It was a good life for the Smith family in New York.

When Joseph was fourteen years old and Hyrum had just turned twenty, our Heavenly Father and His son, Jesus Christ, appeared to Joseph. It was such a wonderful thing to happen to anyone, but especially to such a young boy. When Joseph told Hyrum and the rest of his family what had happened, another wonderful thing happened - Joseph's family believed him!

DISCUSSION: How do you think you would react if one of your brothers or sisters told you they had seen God?

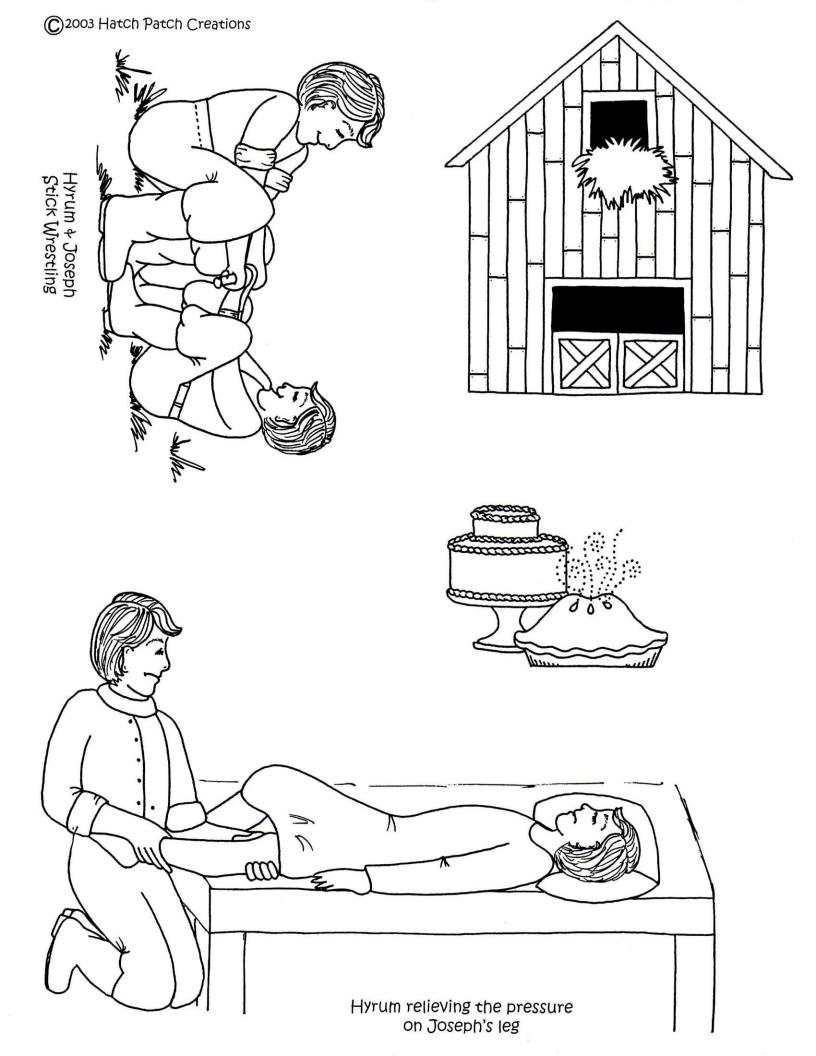
Joseph and Hyrum worked side by side for many years to organize the Church the way that Jesus wanted it done and to spread the gospel as far as they could. Their friendship grew and grew, as well as their deep love for each other as brothers.

When Joseph and Hyrum's time on this earth was finished, Heavenly Father took them both to heaven on the same day so they could live with Him.

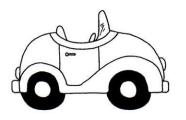
Members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints go to the temples to perform work for all of our relatives who don't live on the earth anymore. We need to do temple work for them and seal all of our families together for eternity. We are taught that our families are so very important. If we live righteously, we will be with our Mom, Dad, and our brothers and sisters forever. Maybe we all ought to learn to love each other and get along. We need to protect each other and care for each other. Members of our family can become our very best friends, just like Hyrum and Joseph.

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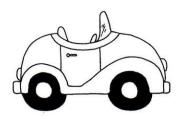
- •How do you think it makes our Heavenly Father feel when we fight with one another?
- •How can I show love and support for my family members?

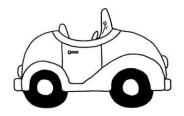


### **Game Pieces**



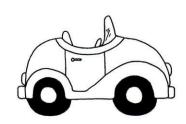


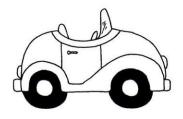




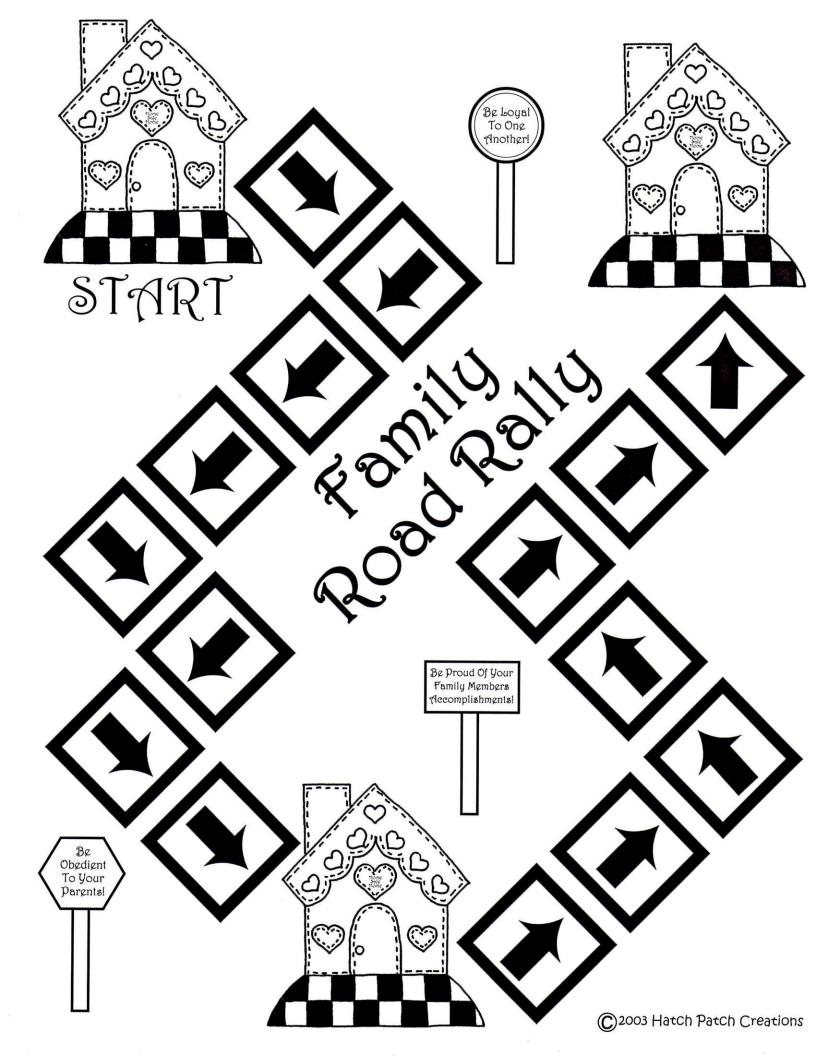


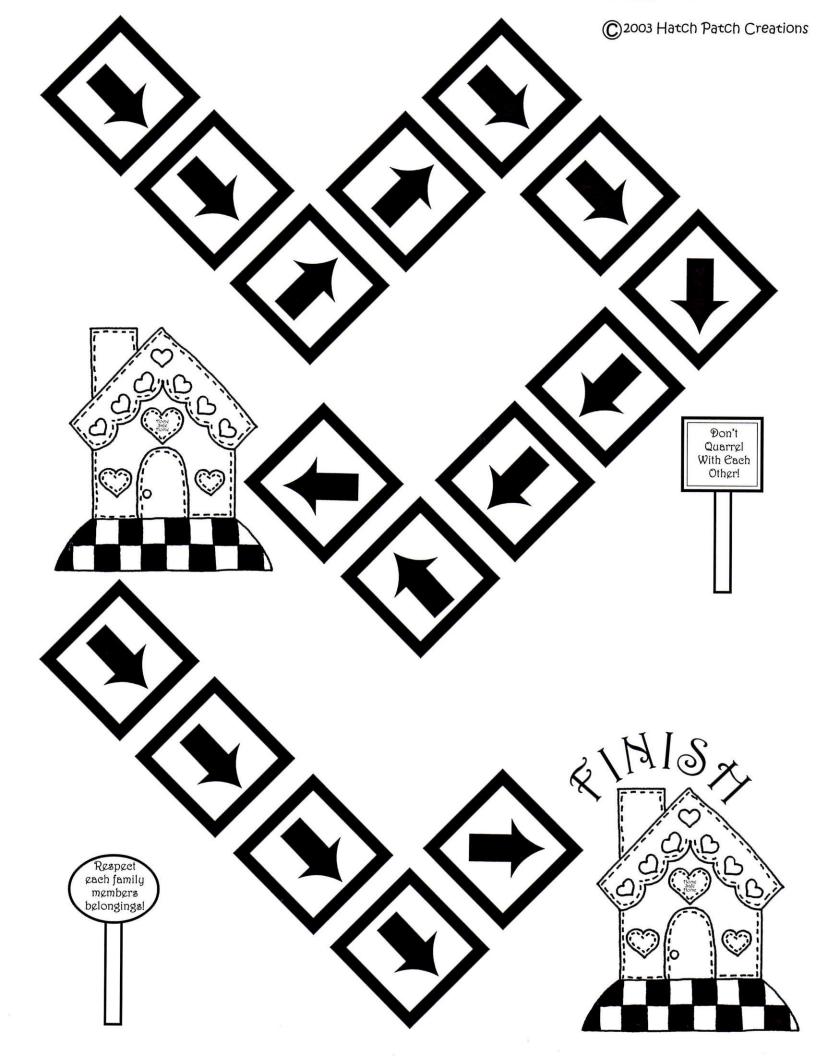


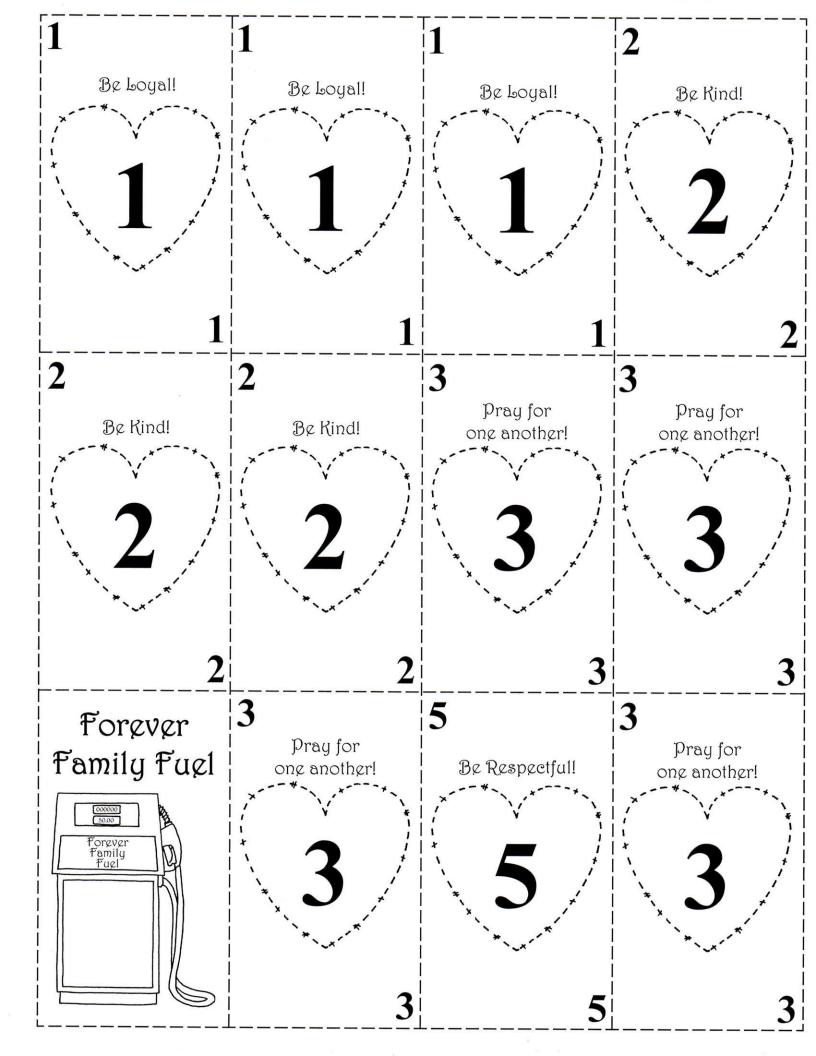


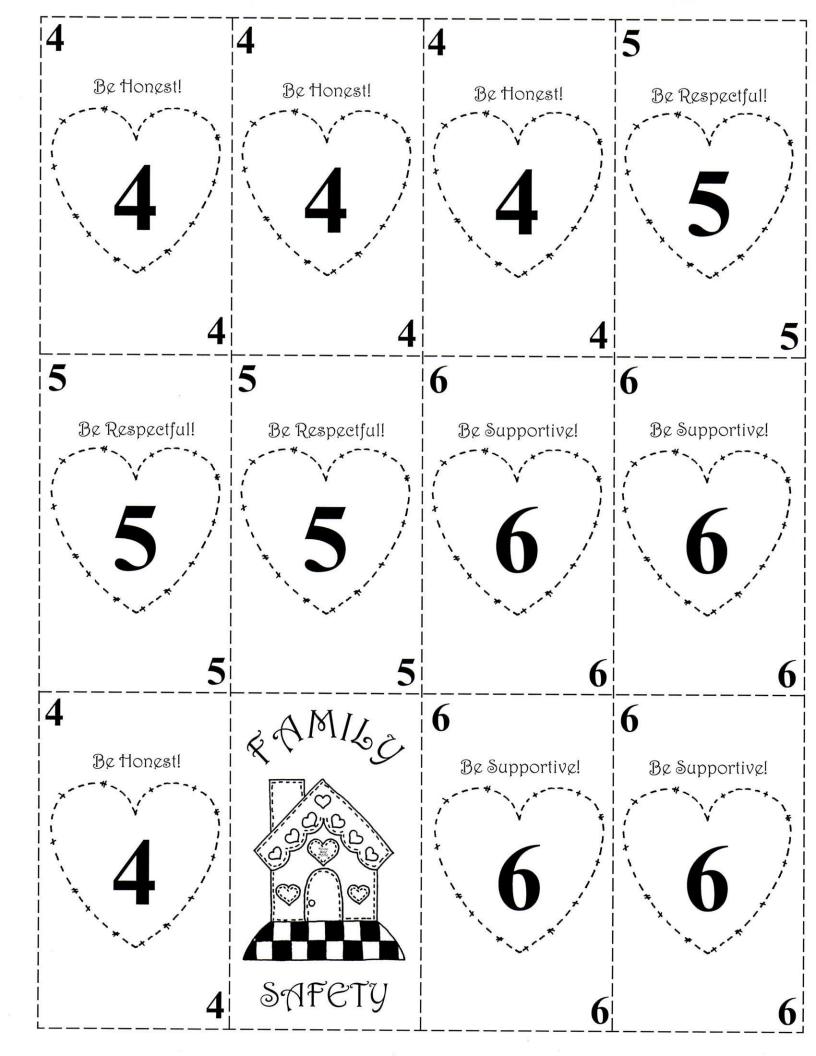


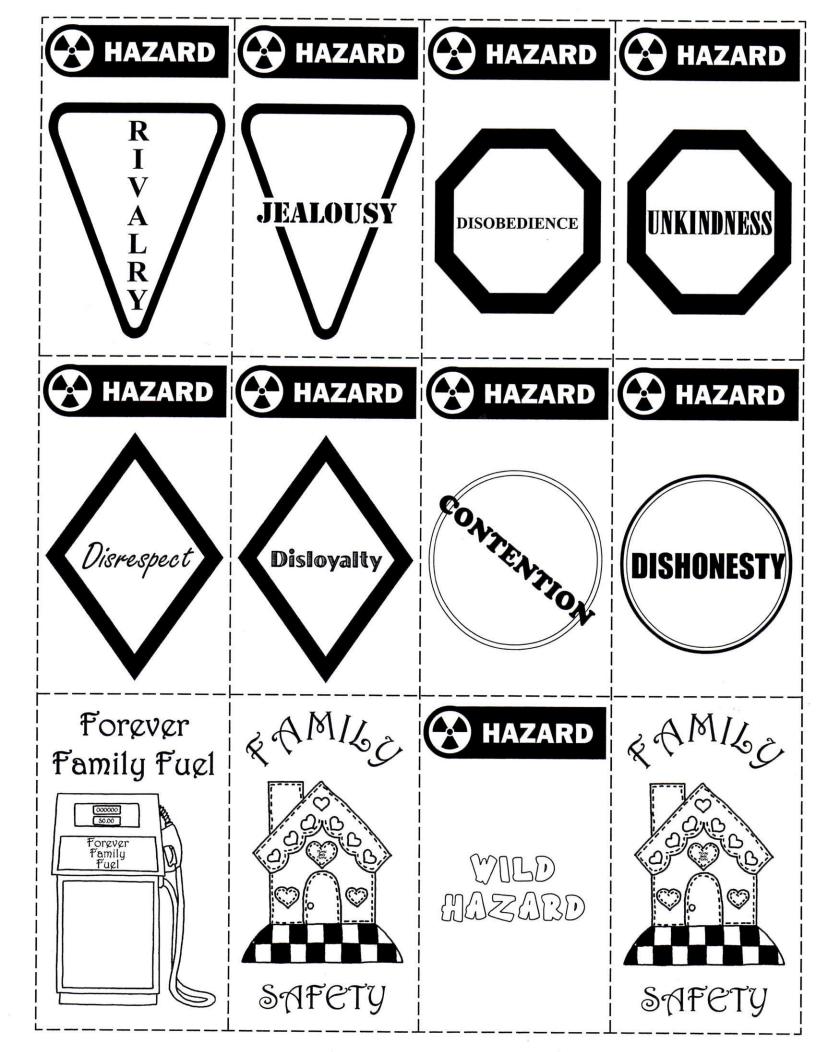
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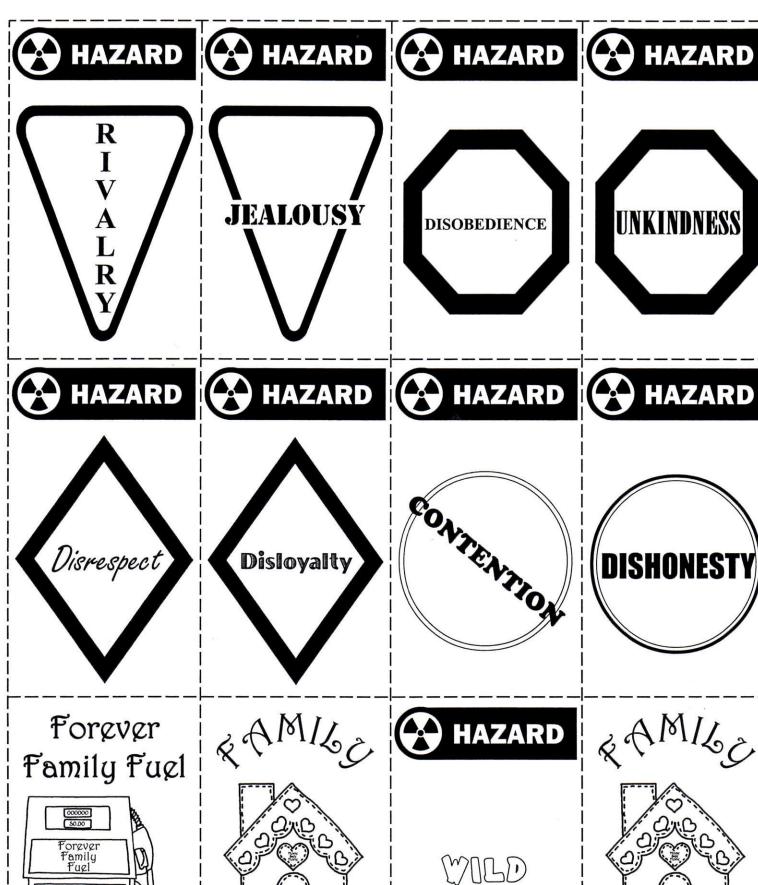














# Mosiah 4:14-15

"And ye will not suffer your children that they go hungry, or naked; neither will ye serve the devil, who is the master of sin, or and fight and quarrel one with another, and ken of by our fathers, he being an But ye will teach them to walk in the ways suffer that they transgress the laws of God, who is the evil spirit which hath been spoof truth and soberness; ye will teach them to love one another, and to serve one anenemy to all righteousness. other."