



SOLUTION:

COMBINATION
CONCLUSION
COOPERATION
SUGGESTION
EXAMINATION
ADMIRATION
GRADUATION
CONNECTION
CONFUSION

STUDENT DIRECTIONS

Fill in the puzzle, using Basic Words that fit in the sentences. Pin the letters from the treasure chest to the blank spaces. Find the answer to the pirate's question by reading vertically under the X.

How to make: Cut strips of paper, using colors and dimensions as shown in the illustration above. Mark off each strip in 2" sections. Staple the strips to the bulletin board to make the puzzle. Write context sentences for the Basic Words on matching strips as shown. Leave blanks where the words should go. Staple the sentences to the board as shown. Title the board, placing the X over the fifth line of squares. Cut nine strips of white paper, 1 1/2" wide, of the following lengths: one 13 1/2", three 16 1/2", and five 15" long. Mark each off in 1 1/2" sections. Write the solution words, one letter to a section, on these strips.

Cut the letters apart and store them in a box labeled *Treasure Chest*. Add student directions, a pirate and background, and pins or tacks. Choose a question for the pirate to ask that is answered by reading the letters of the solution words in the X column.

How to use: Have students follow the instructions on the board to fill in the puzzle, using the Basic Words that fit in the sentences. Students can change the puzzle as you work with other units by making new sets of strips, letter cards, and sentences.