



### Dreams and Goals

Story puzzle cards - Ages 8-9 - Piece 1

Michael loved to play (1)	basketball. He liked playing it with his (1)
older brothers and their friends. They were (1)	much taller than he was. One boy called (1)
Mark wouldn't let him join in because (1)	he said Michael was too small. (1)

<b>This made Michael feel (2)</b>	sad, so he asked his (2)
<b>Mum how he could get (2)</b>	taller. She said "We can put (2)
<b>salt in your shoes. That will help you (2)</b>	grow." It was a strange thing to say. (2)



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<b>Michael stopped going to the (3)</b>	<b>park and stayed home to (3)</b>
<b>practise, so when he was taller he would (3)</b>	<b>be even better at (3)</b>
<b>basketball. After a few months Michael hadn't (3)</b>	<b>grown at all. (3)</b>

<b>His Dad said, "Being taller might (4)</b>	<b>help you be a better player but (4)</b>
<b>your practise and determination have (4)</b>	<b>already made you (4)</b>
<b>great." Michael ran off to the park to (4)</b>	<b>join in with the basketball game. (4)</b>



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<p><b>When he arrived Mark wouldn't let him (5)</b></p> <p>* What is the problem?</p>	<p>join in, but then another boy got (5)</p>
<p><b>injured, and one of the teams needed a new (5)</b></p> <p>* Read the six</p>	<p>player. This was Michael's (5)</p>
<p><b>chance. He took the place in the team and (5)</b></p> <p>* How could they solve the problem?</p>	<p>scored the winning basket. (5)</p>