

## Lesson Vocabulary

### Words to Know

Knowing the meanings of these words is important to reading *Stretching Ourselves*. Practice using these words.

### Vocabulary Words

**abdomen** the part of the body containing the stomach, the intestines, and other important organs

**artificial** made by human skill or labor; not natural

**gait** a manner of walking or running

**handicapped** having a physical or mental disability

**therapist** person who specializes in the treatment of diseases, injuries, or disorders

**wheelchair** a chair on wheels, used especially by people who are sick or cannot walk

## Grammar

### Pronouns and Antecedents

A **pronoun** is a word that replaces a noun or noun phrase. *For example: I, you, he, she, it, me, him, her, we, you, they, us.* The word or words that a pronoun stands for—such as *Julie, my father, or our cat Mouffette*—is called the pronoun's **antecedent**. *For example: Laurene saw George, so she waved to him.* In the example, the nouns "Laurene" and "George" are the *antecedents* of the *pronouns* "she" and "him."

### Activity

**Creative Captions** With a family member, look through a picture book with which you both are familiar. Write captions on a separate piece of paper for the pictures that you see. Circle each pronoun that appears in your captions.

## Practice Tested Spelling Words

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