## Categories

Dear Parents,
We have started a new learning game called "Categories." I brought in a brown lunch bag containing items that all belong to one category. Then, one at a time, I removed an item from the bag so the children could see and identify it. I kept taking out one more object until the children were able to identify the category to which all of the objects belong (in this case, "things we bake with"). We had so much fun that we'd like everyone to have a turn! Please help your child collect a bag of small objects that are all related in some way (The category is up to you and your child to decide!) and send it in tomorrow. Then the class will work together as a group to identify the objects and the category. (The bag of objects will be sent back home at the end of the day.)

Please check the list of categories we have already used (For example, "things we bake with" should not be used again.) and collect several things to place in the bag; then return the bag and this letter. Your child's name should be on the bag, and the name of the category should be written on the back of this paper. Remind your child not to reveal the category to friends... that's a secret for the children to guess! Naturally the objects should be items which are safe for your child to carry to school. No sharp objects, matches or other dangerous items should be included.

## List your category here:

- Things we bake with

