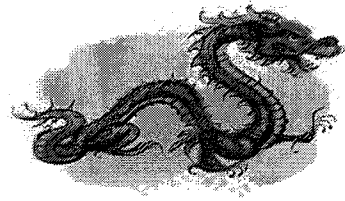


Chinatown



celebrations- a party or other activity to honor a special day

herbs- plants used for medicine or cooking

restaurant- a place where people go to eat meals

apartment- one or more rooms in a house or building used as a place to live

market- a public place where people buy and sell goods

handcart- a small cart pushed or pulled by the hand

musty- damp or moldy

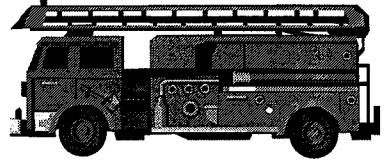
cobbler- a person whose work is repairing or making shoes

graceful- smooth or beautiful in motion

delivery- having to do with an object or person that delivers

A Trip to the Firehouse

By Wendy Cheyette Lewison



chief – a leader of a group

valves – parts that control the flow of a liquid

emergencies – a problem that happens suddenly and has to be solved at once

drill – a practice exercise

dispatch – to send something quickly to a certain place or person

examine – to look over carefully

route – a path or trail

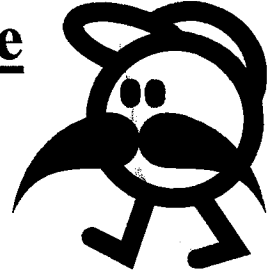
firefighters – people who work at putting out fires

fire engine - a truck used to help put out fires

gear - equipment used to do certain things

Big Bushy Mustache

By Gary Soto



mirror – a piece of glass you can see yourself

mustache – thick hair that grows about a man's lip

sombrero - a Mexican hat

costume – a set of special clothing

bushy – fluffy or thick like a bush

soldier – people who are in the army; people trained to protect their country

disguise – a costume or make-up someone wears so no one will know who it really is

sarape - a colorful blanket people in Mexico wear over their shoulders

handsome – good looking

tough - strong; does not give up easily



Jamaica Louise James

By Amy Hest

tile – a smooth material cut into pieces used to cover walls and floors

mayor - the man or woman in charge of a city

booth – a small room or compartment, usually with an opening

swoosh – move quickly

plaque – a flat plate or slab with words and decorations that is displayed on a wall

worry – to feel that something bad might happen

subway – an underground train

collection – a group of things that are alike in some ways

station – a stopping place, a subway station is where the subway stops

token - a piece of metal, like a coin, used to get into a certain place