

## The Elephant and the Stray Dog Venn Diagram

## **Activity Procedures**

\*Students should be sitting in a large circle group for the beginning of this exercise.

- 1. Re-read or re-listen to CD of the story "The Elephant and the Stray Dog A story of how true friendship knows no bounds." Use the sample questions, applications and background material to further explore the story.
- 2. Talk about friendships that the students have and what makes those friendships special. Talk about what is different about the students and their friends.
- 3. Show the "Friendship Venn Diagram" pages and use one as an example. Begin to fill in a large example on the board with details from the story showing how the elephant and the dog are alike and different.
- 4. Talk about how we all have friends that we are similar to and different from. Talk about how we can write about the similarities and differences we have with our friends. Students should try to list ways they are alike and different from their friends. Those that are not writing should spell words the best they can and get help from the teacher on that part. Illustrations of student and friends can be done while the teacher circulates.
- **5.** After all are done, display the diagrams and celebrate the friendships.

