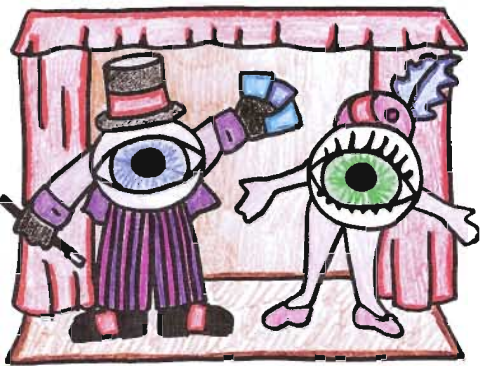
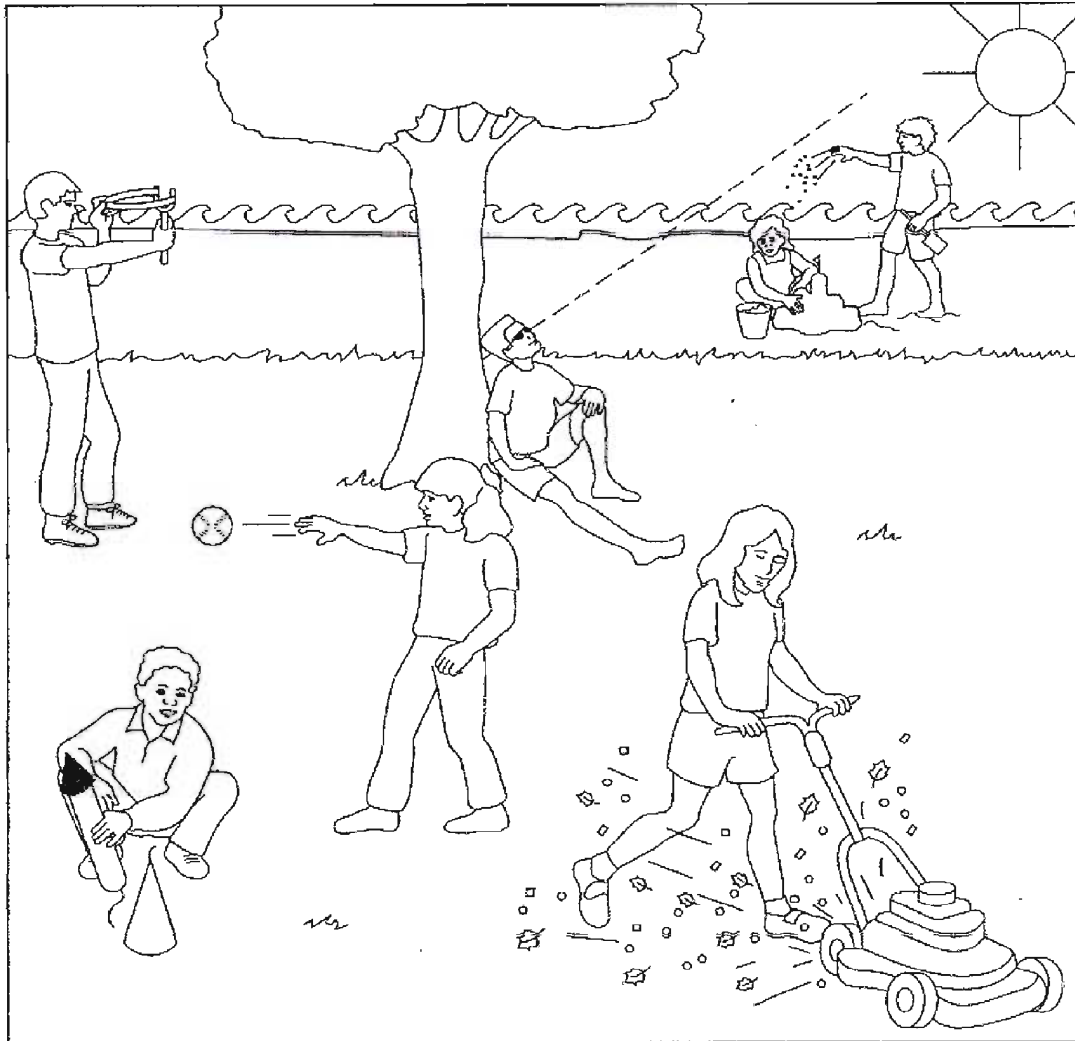


DR. OPTICAL'S SEPTEMBER ACTIVITY PAGE



Dr. Optical and Miss Illusion can't wait for September because they love to go to school! But they worry about eye injuries especially during sports and hobby activities.

Did you know that eye injury is the leading cause of blindness in children in the United States? Each year millions of eye injuries occur. However, 90% of them could be prevented. Can you find six things in this picture that can be dangerous to your eyes? (The answers are listed below, but don't peek yet!)



Answers: Mowing the lawn with debris flying; using a slingshot; lighting or playing with fireworks; throwing a ball over someone's head; looking at the sun, even with sunglasses; and throwing sand can all be dangerous to the eyes. Courtesy of the National Eye Institute, National Institutes of Health and the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology.