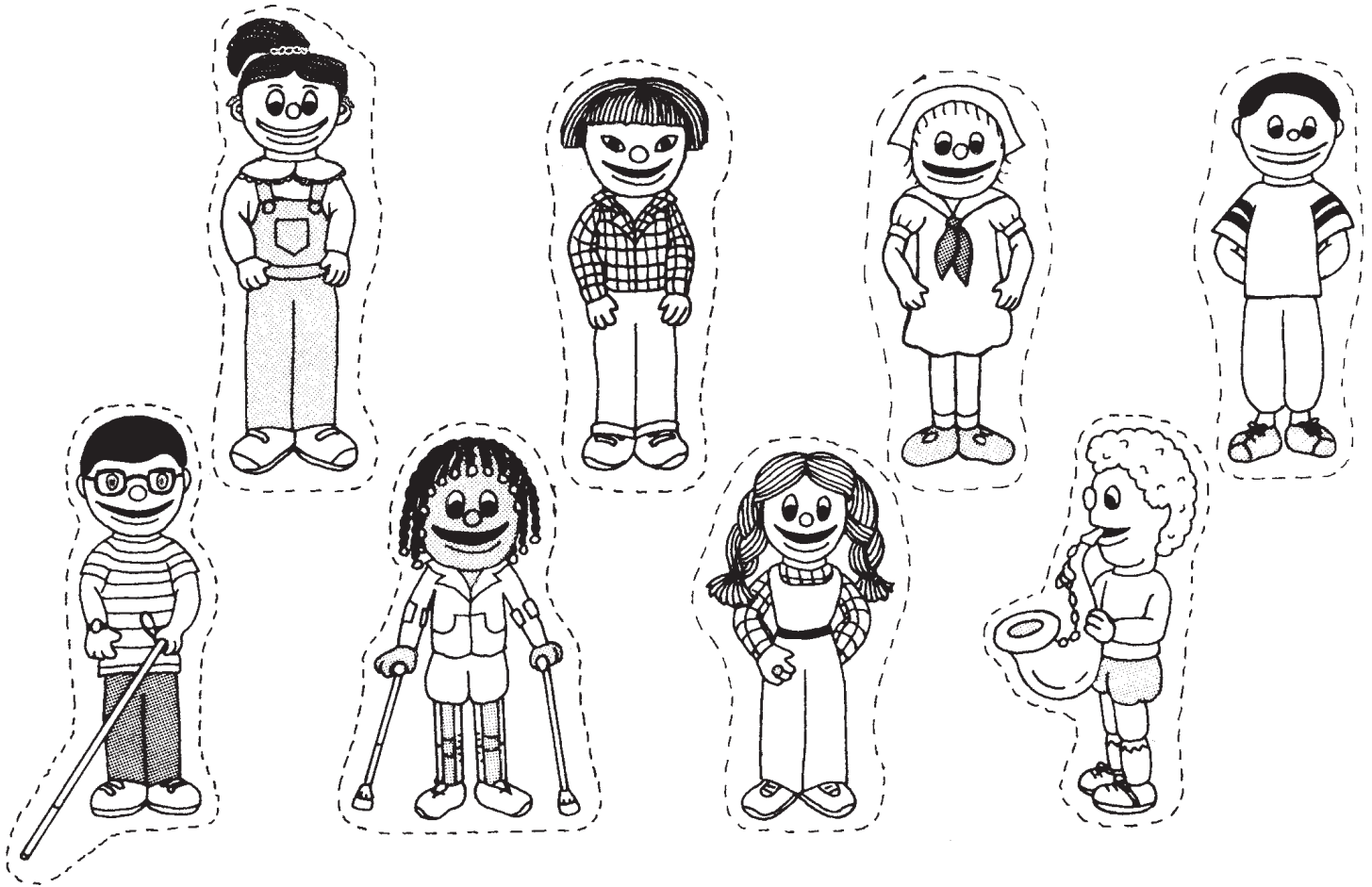


# MEET SOME OF THE KIDS ON THE BLOCK

The Kids on the Block want to build a clubhouse. They plan to have meetings, to make things and do all kinds of shows once the clubhouse is built. Use the clues below to figure out who is who:



**Valerie Perkins** is trying out for cheerleading. She uses braces and crutches because she has spina bifida.

**Renaldo Rodriguez** has a visual impairment and uses a cane to get around.

**Diane Delaney** often wears a hat or scarf because the special cancer medicine she takes made her lose her hair.

**Nam Nguyen's** family comes from Vietnam. Sometimes belonging to two cultures makes him feel different from his friends.

**Mandy Puccini** likes to teach kids sign language. She wears hearing aids because she is deaf.

**Jennifer Hauser's** learning disability makes it hard to know right from left, so she wears a ring on her right hand.

**Jimmy Randolph** sometimes acts out because of his emotional disorder. That can make it hard to get along with others.

**Brian McDaniel** doesn't let epilepsy stop him from playing saxophone in the school band.

Now that you can recognize your new friends, color them in and cut them out. Have a grown-up help you glue or tape popsicle sticks or straws to the back of the cut-out figures so you can act out adventures with your own Kids on the Block Paper Puppets. You can even look for books about your new friends' differences and disabilities so you can learn more!