

APPLE STAMPING

A simple and fun sensory craft to keep little hands busy during apple season (and beyond)!

Supplies:

- 1 apple
- Craft paint
- Paper plates
- Construction paper

Instructions:

- Pour your paint onto a paper plate.
- Cut an apple in half.
- Dip the flat side of the apple into the paint.
- Press the painted side of the apple onto a piece of paper and gently lift it up.
- Repeat!

Extra fun:

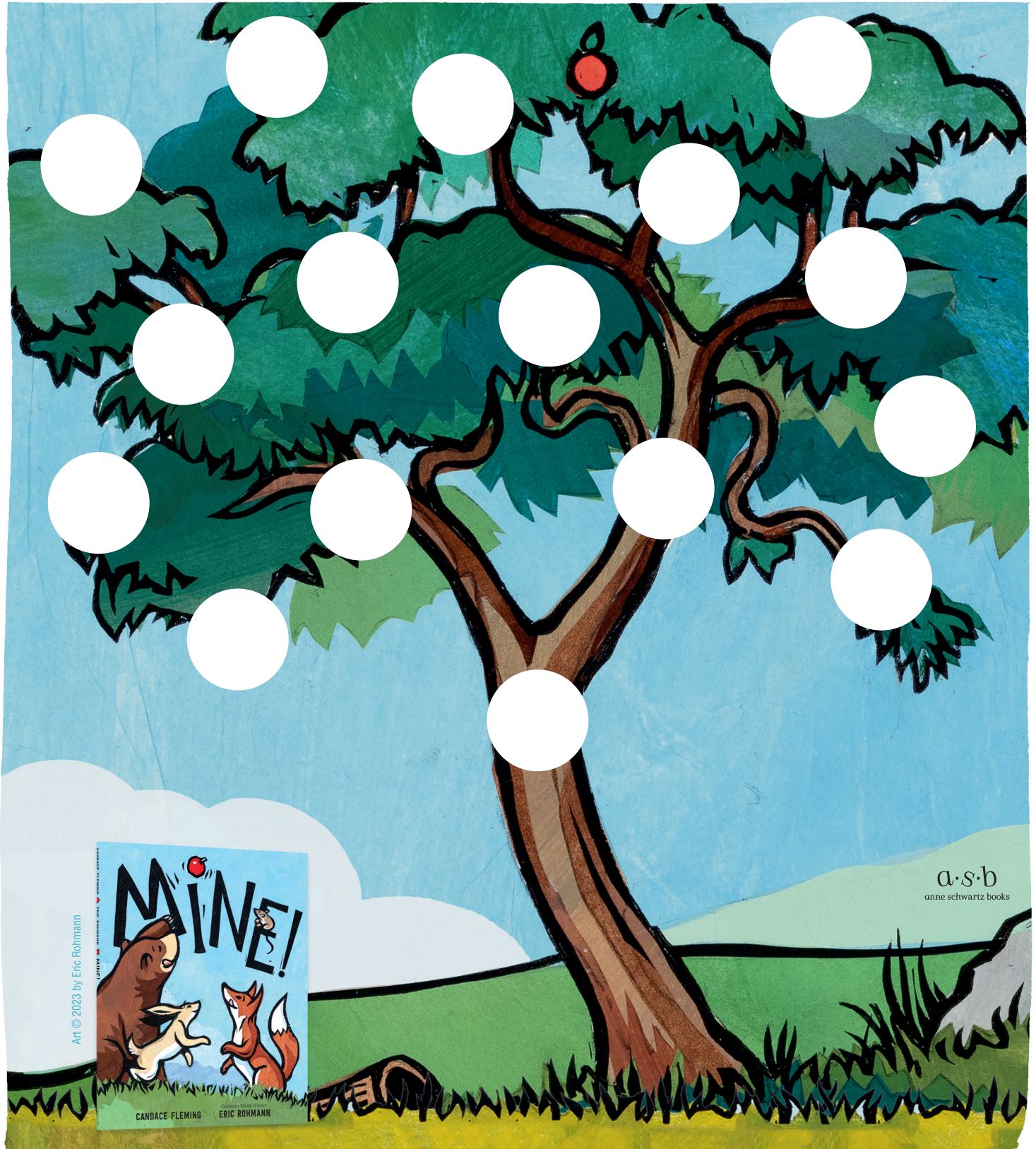
- Add detail: After the paint dries, have your child draw a stem and seeds on each apple shape.
- Share the love: Create a card by folding a piece of paper in half, writing a sweet message on the inside, and stamping an apple on the front. Then share it with someone you love! Have a conversation with your child about how sharing things with others makes them—and you!—feel happy.
- Practice the alphabet: Share that “apple” starts with “A.” Repeat the sound it makes, then dip your child’s finger in paint and guide it in an “A” shape on a separate piece of paper.
- Take it outdoors: Tape a large piece of easel paper or newspaper to the floor, draw a tree shape on it, and have your child fill it with apple stamps.



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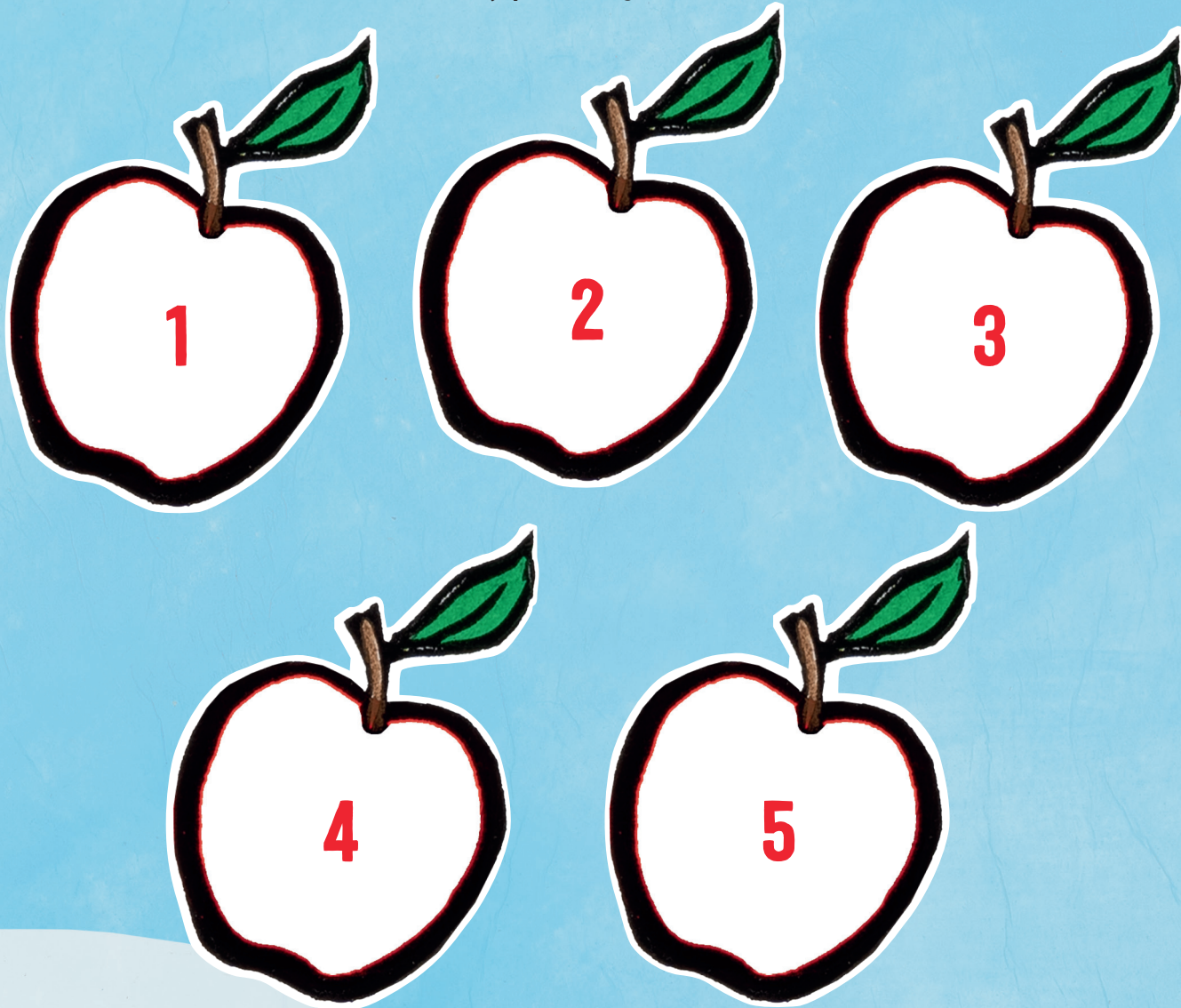
WHERE ARE ALL THE APPLES?

Younger children can place colored sticker dots in each blank space to practice their fine motor skills.
For older readers, write a letter in each blank space and create a corresponding sticker with the same letter.
Encourage them to match each sticker to its letter on the tree.



APPLE SEED COUNTING

Give your child a small bowl of chocolate chips (or other small snack) and have them place the correct number in the center of each apple shape, working up from one to five. When they're done, have them practice sharing by giving half of the chocolate chips to you. Enjoy them together!



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