

WHAT IS THIS?

It's a low-prep room transformation!



Use the 10 reading stations, included decor, and more for a fun & easy room transformation!

NATIONAL DONUT DAY... TWICE!
National Donut Day is so special that it's celebrated twice each year! While we only get one Thanksgiving, Christmas, or Halloween, there are two National Donut Days. People all over love to enjoy donuts in all kinds of flavors. Some of the most popular are classic glazed, chocolate frosted, sprinkle donuts, apple fritters, blueberry, and jelly-filled. The first National Donut Day takes place on the first Friday in June. This is followed by the second holiday that takes place on the first Friday in November.

The very first National Donut Day was celebrated on June 7. Salvation Army created the holiday to honor women who served soldiers during World War I. These women, known as "Donut Ladies," used donuts to boost the spirits of soldiers on the front lines. It was hit that famous donut chains like Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts to create another celebration in November. Now, we get to enjoy two special days each year. Will you be celebrating National Donut Day June, November, or both?

NATIONAL DONUT DAY... TWICE!
Read the passage. Then, fill in the graphic organizer below with the main idea and three supporting details.

MAIN IDEA:
The passage explains how National Donut Day is celebrated twice a year, its historical origins, and how popular donut chains and local shops participate in the festivities by offering special deals and unique donut flavors.

DETAIL 1:
National Donut Day is celebrated twice a year, on the first Friday in June and the first Friday in November.

DETAIL 2:
Some local donut shops create new, exciting flavors like simon and leslie donuts just for the occasion.

DETAIL 3:
The Salvation Army continues to celebrate National Donut Day by selling donuts and using the money to help veterans.

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THE LIFETIME LEARNER

This themed learning day has 10 stations that all practice finding main idea in a variety of ways. You can use 1, 5, or all 10--it's flexible!

Room transformations can be stress-free and low-prep.

Keep scrolling to learn how!



Let's start with the basics...

What is a classroom transformation?

A classroom transformation changes your room into a certain setting or theme to engage students in their own learning with rigorous content.



Donut Shop Day

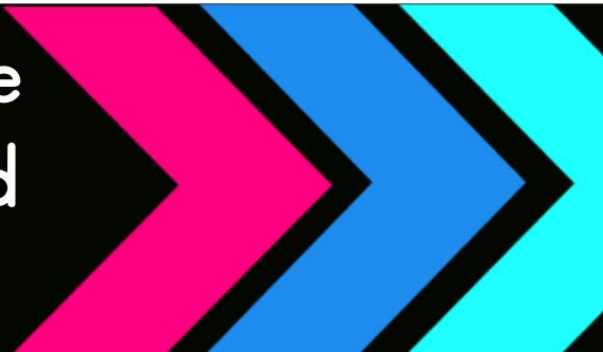


Rock Star Day



Camping Day

You don't have to spend hours of your time setting up a room transformation or spend lots of money to make it **SO MUCH FUN!**



STEP 2:

Let students move around the room and complete each station. They read a passage and then complete an activity to go with it. They can be completed in any order. All stations include a variety of main idea practice activities. You can choose just a few for students to complete or use all 10. This is up to the teacher and the amount of time you'd like to fill.

Optional Recording Sheet

When a student finishes a center, you sign that spot on their recording sheet to keep track of what they've completed.

Freedom to choose.

Students can work in partners, rotations, groups, or independently. Your choice!

Donut Day

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Center #2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Center #7	<input type="checkbox"/>
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HOW THE DONUT GOT ITS HOLE

Hanson Gregory is often credited with inventing the idea of putting a hole in the middle of a donut. But the exact reasons behind his decision remain a bit of a mystery. Gregory was only 16 years old when he made this change. Over time, several **theories** have emerged to explain why he did it. While no one knows the exact truth, these ideas each offer a different perspective on his decision to put a hole in the **middle** of his donut.

The first theory is the most practical. Back in the 1800s, donuts were crispy and thin on the outside but **undercooked** and doughy on the inside. Gregory was tired of eating the raw, gooey center. He is said to have come up with a solution: he decided to punch out the middle of the dough before frying it, allowing the donut to cook evenly all the way through. With this method, people could enjoy a perfectly fried treat. This idea not only improved the taste but also guaranteed that no one had to bite into an uncooked portion of dough.

Another popular theory revolves around Gregory's life as a seaman. One story claims that while he was working aboard a ship, he was eating a donut when a storm suddenly hit. Needing both hands to **steer** the ship, he had to find a place to store his snack. In a rush, he stuck the donut onto one of the spokes of the ship's steering wheel. This created the hole in the center. Other **sailors** soon noticed the convenient shape and followed the trend that Gregory started. Word of this new donut shape spread, and sailors all across the seas started using the idea.

The third theory involves Hanson's mother, Elizabeth Gregory. She often made donuts for him to take out to sea. Some believe that Hanson, thinking practically, suggested to his **mother** that she could save money by putting a hole in the middle of the donut. By removing the center, they could use less **ingredients**, while still making plenty of donuts. His mother liked the idea and started making donuts with holes in the middle. Over time, this idea became popular in their town and led to more people making donuts this way.

Today, people still debate which theory is true. Did Hanson Gregory put a hole in the donut to make it taste **better**? Did it happen by **accident** while he was steering? Or was it simply a clever way to help his mother save **money**? It's up to you to decide which one seems the most likely!

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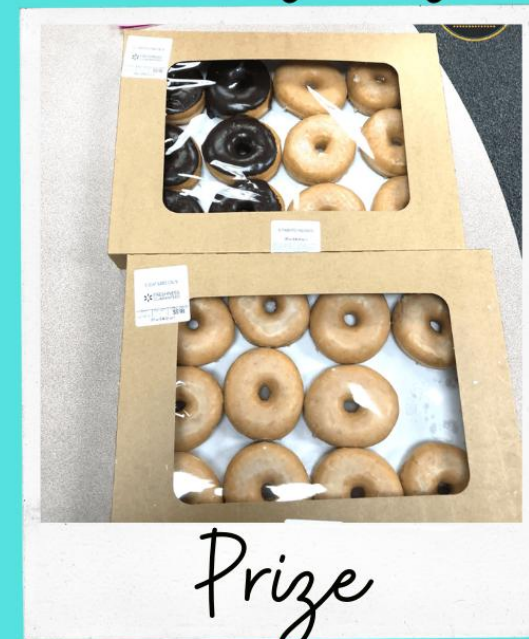
STEP 3:

When students finish all activities you've assigned, they win! You can give them the included certificate, coloring page, or a small prize of your choice.

A shopping guide is also included to give you suggestions of optional "extras" you could add in.

Remember:

Anything different from a "normal" day in the classroom is special to students! A reward at the end isn't required during a classroom transformation.



STEP 4:

Most of the time, there are early finishers. These kiddos get to go around the room and read fun facts about the topic! No one is ever bored.

Choose from 3 versions!

1 Digital Scavenger Hunt

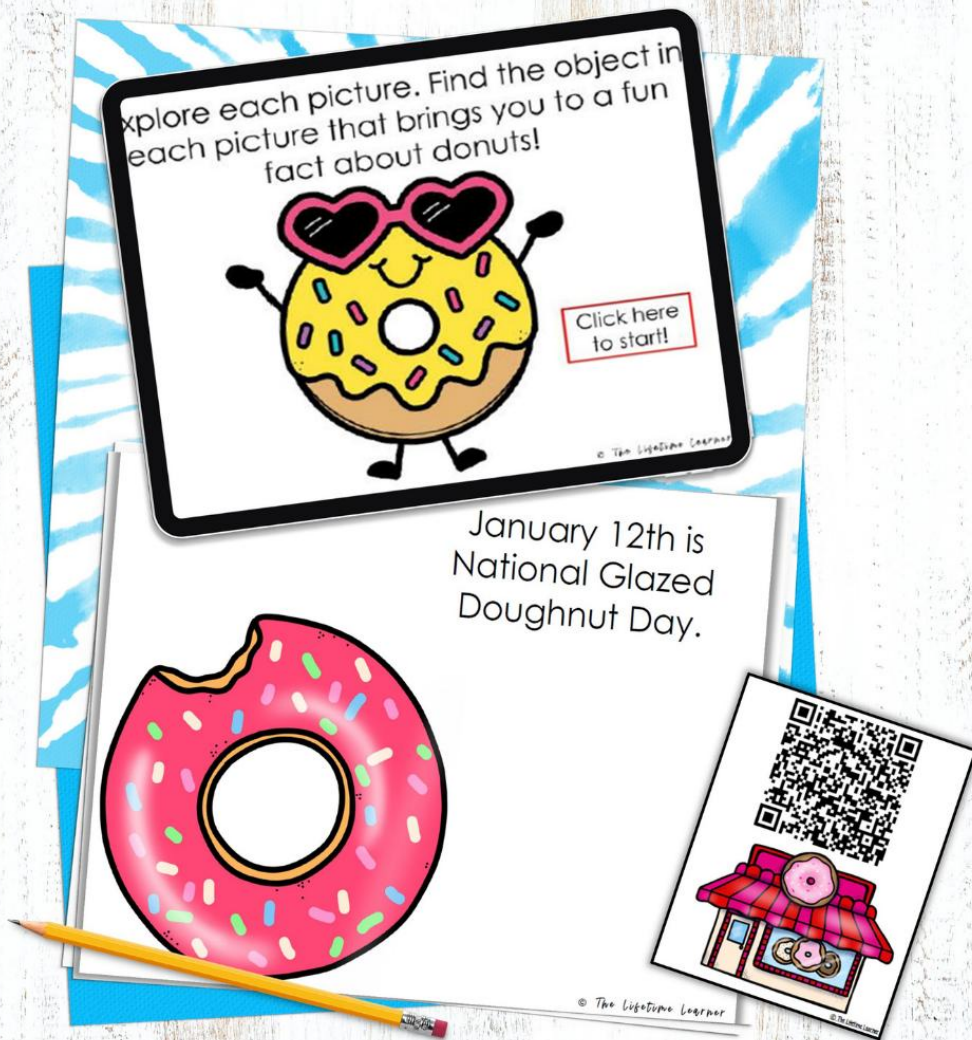
Let students "find" the facts on Google Slides

2 Printable Facts

Hang facts around room

3 QR Codes

Students scan to read fun facts



10 READING COMPREHENSION PASSAGES/ACTIVITIES:

THE SWEET WORLD OF DONUTS

Donut decorating is a fun way for bakers to show their creativity and make customers happy. There are many ways to make donuts look good and taste great. For example, you can make a simple glaze by mixing powdered sugar with milk or water. To make donuts even more tempting, try adding colorful sprinkles, crushed nuts, or drizzles

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THE SWEET WORLD OF DONUTS

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| 1. What is the main idea in the first paragraph? | 2. What are 3 supporting details in the first paragraph? Color all 3. | 3. What is the main idea in the second paragraph? |
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THE HISTORY OF THE DONUT

Did you know that donuts were invented long before America even existed as a country? They have quite an extensive history! While the exact origin of donuts remains uncertain, many researchers believe that their creation began in the Middle East. Cooks in this region would bake unsweetened dough and sweeten it with sugar to make it more appealing to customers. Interestingly, early donuts did not have the hole in the middle that we

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THE HISTORY OF DONUTS



1. What is the main idea of the entire passage?
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DONUT DETAILS: YES OR NO?






Directions: Read the paragraphs. Then, sort each sentence into the correct category: supporting details and non-supporting details.



There are a surprising amount of donut records. The largest donut ever made weighed over 1.7 tons and was created in 2014 in Flavortown, USA. That is equal to 3,300 pounds. The tallest donut stack ever built was 43.5 inches tall. The largest box of donuts ever created weighed nearly 300 pounds. Kristina Harrison frosted a dozen donuts in 30 seconds. Her

YES OR NO?: PARAGRAPH I

Write each letter where it belongs to show if each detail supports the main idea or is a non-supporting detail.

Paragraph I Supporting Details	Paragraph I Non-Supporting Details	
		The largest donut ever made weighed over 1.7 tons and was created in 2014 in Flavortown, USA.  A.
		That is equal to 3,300 pounds.  B.
		The tallest donut stack ever built was 43.5 inches tall.  C.
		The largest box of donuts ever created weighed nearly 300 pounds.  D.
		He is a well-known competitive eater in the USA.  E.

ALL ABOUT DONUTS!

Donuts are a super popular food in America! A recent poll showed that 96% of people like donuts. Over half of Americans have shared them with people at work. In Wyoming, people eat more donuts than in any other state. Did you know 20% of donuts are sold on weekends? In fact, Americans spend \$230 million on donuts every year. The most popular type is the glazed donut, followed by chocolate sprinkle and apple fritters. Donuts are easy to find in stores, convenient to

ALL ABOUT DONUTS: SORT

Color in each detail so it is the same color as the main idea it goes with.

 pink	A. National Donut Day was created by the Salvation Army in 1938 to honor women who served 	B.  Over half of Americans have brought donuts to work	C.  The s'mores donut is especially popular in
MAIN IDEA #1			

**focuses on:
main idea**

2 Versions of Every Passage Included for Students

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The very first National Donut Day was celebrated on June 7, 1938. The Salvation Army created the holiday to honor women who served donuts to soldiers during World War I. These women, known as "Donut Lassies," made donuts to boost the spirits of soldiers on the front lines. It was such a big

NATIONAL DONUT DAY... TWICE!

National Donut Day is such a fun event that it's celebrated not once, but twice a year! While most holidays like Thanksgiving, Christmas, or Halloween only happen once, donut lovers get to enjoy their favorite treat on two special days. The first National Donut Day is held on the first Friday in June, and the second is on the first Friday in November.

The tradition began way back on June 7, 1938. The Salvation Army created the holiday to honor women who served donuts to soldiers during World War I. These women, known as "Donut Lassies," made donuts to boost the spirits of soldiers on the front lines. To this day, the Salvation Army continues to celebrate by selling donuts and using the money to help veterans.

National Donut Day became so popular that famous donut chains like Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts decided to join in. Now, they offer special deals and even give away free donuts to customers on these days. Some local donut shops create new, exciting flavors just for the occasion. Did you know that there's even a donut flavored like key lime pie? With so many choices, people love trying different flavors. Will you be celebrating National Donut Day this year and treating yourself to a delicious donut?

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

WHICH TEAM ARE YOU ON?

Do you prefer Krispy Kreme or Dunkin' Donuts? We'll discuss the pros and cons of each brand to help you if you're undecided.

Let's learn about their backgrounds. Krispy Kreme was founded in 1937 in NC. They have about 1,000 donut shops in 39 states and 23 countries. Dunkin' was founded 13 years later in MA but has 13,000 stores in 41 states and 33 countries. Krispy Kreme makes their donuts while Dunkin' has them shipped in. This means only Krispy Kreme can offer hot donuts.

Many people also compare how they taste. Krispy Kreme makes donuts that are light, airy, and melt in your mouth. Dunkin's donuts are chewy and doughy, making them more filling.

Each company has perks to get you to try their donuts as well. Dunkin' has some of the highest drink sales in the nation. Many people come in to buy one of Dunkin's drinks and leave with a donut. Dunkin' also offers the beloved "Munchkins" donut holes. Krispy Kreme offers different benefits. They have a "hot light" app to notify you when donuts are the most fresh and give out free hats on any visit to one of their stores.

Data can also be useful when comparing the two brands. A Krispy Kreme donut will be

WHICH TEAM ARE YOU ON?

Do you prefer Krispy Kreme or Dunkin' Donuts? If you're unsure, we'll go over the pros and cons of each brand to help you decide. Both have been around for a long time and have loyal fans. But they have do have their differences.

Let's start with their histories. Krispy Kreme was founded in 1937 in North Carolina. Today, they have about 1,000 shops in 39 states and 23 countries. Dunkin' Donuts, on the other hand, was founded 13 years later in Massachusetts. Despite being younger, Dunkin' is much bigger. They have 13,000 stores in 41 states and 33 countries. One major difference between the two is how they make their donuts. Krispy Kreme makes its donuts fresh in-store, allowing them to serve hot donuts. Dunkin', however, ships their donuts in from outside bakeries. This means their donuts aren't served hot.

Now, let's talk about taste. Krispy Kreme donuts are known for being light, airy, and have that "melt-in-your-mouth" taste. Dunkin' Donuts are chewier and doughier, which makes them more filling. Some people love the fluffy texture of Krispy Kreme, while others prefer the heartier bite of a Dunkin' donut.

Each company also offers special perks to attract customers. Dunkin' is famous for its drinks. Many people stop

Differentiate and give your students the version best for them!

THE CONTENT:

10 high-interest passages & activities in 2 formats: hands-on & no prep!

Hands-On Centers

Main Idea #1
Donuts are a very popular food to eat in America.

Main Idea #2
National Donut Day is a non-official holiday where people eat donuts.

Main Idea #3
There are hundreds of different types of donuts in America.

B. Over half of Americans have brought donuts to work to share with colleagues.

A. National Donut Day was created by the Salvation Army in 1938 to honor women who served donuts to soldiers.

C. The s'mores donut is especially popular in South Carolina.

F. Wyoming residents eat more donuts than people in any other state.

K. Many well-known donut chains give away

E. There are 6 different types of filled cheese

No-Prep Printables

ALL ABOUT DONUTS: SORT
Color in each detail so it is the same color as the main idea it goes with.

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MAIN IDEA #1
Donuts are a very popular food to eat in America.

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MAIN IDEA #2
National Donut Day is a non-official holiday where people eat donuts.

green
MAIN IDEA #3
There are hundreds of different types of donuts in America.

A. National Donut Day was created by the Salvation Army in 1938 to honor women who served donuts to soldiers.

B. Over half of Americans have brought donuts to work to share with colleagues.

C. The s'mores donut is especially popular in South Carolina.

D. Unique flavors such as lavender donuts and bean-filled donuts exist.

E. There are 6 different types of filled cheese donut sandwiches available.

F. Wyoming residents eat more donuts than people in any other state.

G. National Donut Day is celebrated twice a year, on June 7th and again in November.

H. Approximately 20% of donuts sold are purchased on weekends.

I. Women would fry donuts in helmets and serve them to soldiers fighting in the war.

J. Americans spend an average of \$230 million on donuts every year.

K. Many well-known donut chains give away free donuts on National Donut Day.

L. The cronut, a combination of a donut and a croissant, became famous in 2013 and was made for up to \$3.00.

M. Fun varieties like the unicorn donut, Elmo donut, and cotton candy donut can be found.

N. The Salvation Army continues to sell donuts on this holiday, using the money to help veterans.

O. A recent poll showed that 76% of Americans like or love donuts.

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With this version, students read the passage. Then, they complete a hands-on center activity you can laminate and re-use for years to come.



























Or in this version, students read the passage. Then, they complete the activity in worksheet form. This version is NO PREP and PRINT & GO! Just as much fun as the hands-on centers!

CENTER 1

Multiple Choice

WHICH TEAM ARE YOU ON?
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 be useful when comparing the two brands. A Krispy Kreme donut will be calories while Dunkin' Donuts averages between 390-500 calories per treat lower sugar, fat, and sodium in their donuts. There is a lot more variety to unkin' Donuts' menu than at Krispy Kreme. Yet, Krispy Kreme's donuts are ght by the dozen. Which is your favorite?

What is the main idea of paragraph 2?
 A. The background of a donut can be important to some people.
 B. Krispy Kreme makes their donuts in house while Dunkin' Donuts has them shipped in each morning.
 C. Only Krispy Kreme offers hot donuts each morning.
 D. Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts both have many stores in many countries.

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Hands-On Center:

Students choose A, B, C, or D on each card.



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WHICH TEAM ARE YOU ON: MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. What is the main idea of paragraph 1?
 A. Krispy Kreme makes their donuts in house while Dunkin' Donuts has them shipped in each morning.
 B. Only Krispy Kreme offers hot donuts each morning.
 C. Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts both have many stores in many countries.
 D. The background of a donut can be important to some people.

2. Which detail supports the main idea of paragraph 1?
 A. Krispy Kreme makes their donuts in house while Dunkin' Donuts has them shipped in each morning.
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 C. Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts both have many stores in many countries.
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3. What is the main idea of paragraph 2?
 A. Krispy Kreme makes their donuts in house while Dunkin' Donuts has them shipped in each morning.
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 D. The background of a donut can be important to some people.

5. What is the main idea of the entire selection?
 A. Krispy Kreme donuts are better than Dunkin' Donuts.
 B. Dunkin' Donuts are better than Krispy Kreme.
 C. Krispy Kreme donuts and Dunkin' Donuts taste the same.
 D. Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts have different strengths and appeal to different tastes.

6. Which of the following is a supporting detail from paragraph 2?
 A. Krispy Kreme makes donuts that are light airy and melt in your mouth.
 B. Dunkin' Donuts was founded in North Carolina.
 C. Krispy Kreme has about 1000 donut shops.
 D. Dunkin' Donuts was founded in 1951.

7. What is the main idea of the fourth paragraph?
 A. Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts offer different perks to attract customers.
 B. Dunkin' Donuts has more donut shops than Krispy Kreme.
 C. Krispy Kreme goes out free hats.
 D. Dunkin' Donuts invented "Munchkin" donut holes.

8. Which detail does NOT support the comparison between Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts in paragraph 2?
 A. Krispy Kreme has a "hot light" app for fresh donuts.
 B. Dunkin' Donuts has more donut shops than Krispy Kreme.
 C. Krispy Kreme donuts are cheaper than Dunkin' Donuts.
 D. Dunkin' Donuts has more menu variety.

9. What is a supporting detail about Dunkin' Donuts' app?
 A. Dunkin' offers the "hot light" app for fresh donuts.
 B. Dunkin' Donuts has more donut shops than Krispy Kreme.
 C. Krispy Kreme goes out free hats.
 D. Dunkin' Donuts invented "Munchkin" donut holes.

10. What is the main idea of the fifth paragraph?
 A. Krispy Kreme donuts are healthier than Dunkin' Donuts.
 B. Comparing the calorie count and variety between Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts.
 C. Krispy Kreme is cheaper than Dunkin' Donuts.
 D. Dunkin' Donuts offers more variety on its menu than Krispy Kreme.

11. Which detail supports the idea that Krispy Kreme goes different perks to customers in paragraph 2?
 A. Krispy Kreme offers free hats in their stores.
 B. Dunkin' Donuts has high drink sales.
 C. Krispy Kreme donuts are lighter and sweeter.
 D. Dunkin' Donuts offers more variety on its menu than Krispy Kreme.

12. Which detail does NOT support the comparison between Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts in paragraph 2?
 A. Krispy Kreme has lower fat and sugar in their donuts.
 B. Dunkin' Donuts are cheaper than Krispy Kreme.
 C. Krispy Kreme is cheaper by the dozen.
 D. Dunkin' Donuts has more menu variety.

No Prep Printable Worksheet!

CENTER 2

Write a Title

ADD A TITLE!

Paragraph. Then, write an explanation of why you chose that title to highlight the main idea.

TITLE: Police Officers Upset Over Krispy Kreme Truck Fire

The title "Police Officers Upset Over Krispy Kreme Truck Fire" is the main idea of the paragraph by focusing on the police officers to the loss of donuts in the store. This title highlights the main idea of the paragraph, which is the damaged donuts is the central theme of the paragraph. The title also emphasizes the lighthearted way the officers became the key aspect that captured readers' attention.

2. PARAGRAPH 2 TITLE:
 I chose this title because _____

TITLE: Police Officers Upset Over Krispy Kreme Truck Fire

In 2019, a Krispy Kreme truck accidentally caught on fire on the highway in Kentucky. The fire was put out and the driver was alright. Unfortunately, the truck was burned slightly as well as some of the donuts. When police arrived on scene, they made sure everyone was okay. The fire department had a great idea. They had police officers pose in front of the donut truck looking sad since police officers are known for liking donuts. People all over the world loved the images and it went viral. The Krispy Kreme company saw the images and sent free donuts to the police officers the next day.

TITLE: Australian Man Holds Record for Eating Most Powdered Donuts

An Australian man named Shamus Petherick currently holds the world record for most powdered donuts eaten in 3 minutes. He beat the record on the show *America's Got Talent* during the auditions. He did not make it to the next round but he ate 9 donuts in 3 minutes. This means he was able to eat a donut about every 20 seconds. While this may not seem like many, he was not allowed to lick his lips. Anytime a contestant licked their lips while attempting to beat the record, they were disqualified. Shamus was the only one who was successful in doing this back in 2012.

Hands-On Center:

Students write the answer to each prompt on the lines.



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DON'T FORGET! ADD A TITLE!

First, add a title for each paragraph. Then, write an explanation of why you chose that title to highlight the main idea.

1. PARAGRAPH 1 TITLE:
 I chose this title because _____

2. PARAGRAPH 2 TITLE:
 I chose this title because _____

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CENTER 3

Graphic Organizer

NATIONAL DONUT DAY... TWICE!

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The very first National Donut Day was celebrated on June 7. The Salvation Army created the holiday to honor women who served soldiers during World War I. These women, known as "Donut Ladies," baked donuts to boost the spirits of soldiers on the front lines. It was not until 1975 that famous donut chains like Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts joined to create another celebration in November. Now, we get to enjoy two special days each year. Will you be celebrating National Donut Day in June, November, or both?

NATIONAL DONUT DAY... TWICE!

Read the passage. Then, fill in the graphic organizer below with the main idea and three supporting details.

MAIN IDEA: The passage explains how National Donut Day is celebrated twice a year, its historical origins, and how popular donut chains and local shops participate in the festivities by offering special deals and unique donut flavors.



Hands-On Center:

Students write the main idea and detail in the graphic organizer.



NATIONAL DONUT DAY... TWICE!

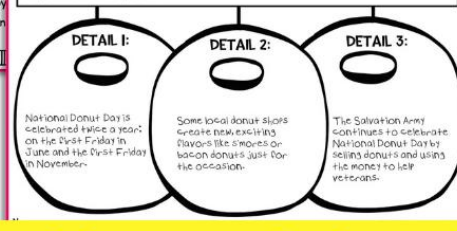
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No Prep Printable Worksheet!

CENTER 4

Yes or No?

There is a surprising amount of donut records. The largest donut ever made weighed over 17 tons and was created in 2014 in Flourtown, USA. It is equal to 3,300 pounds. The tallest donut stack ever built was 135 inches tall. The largest box of donuts ever created weighed nearly 300 pounds. Kristina Harrison Frosted a name was placed in the Guinness World Records book. He is a well-known competitive eater in the USA. Kristina Harrison frosted a dozen donuts in 30 seconds. Her name was placed in the Guinness World Records book. A bakery made 22,000 donuts in a single day. Joey Chestnut ate 55 donuts in eight minutes. The largest box of donuts ever created weighed nearly 300 pounds.

Some people think Munchkins taste better than ordinary donuts. Munchkins (small doughnut holes) are made just like chocolate chip cookies. First, both cookies and Munchkins are kneaded with a rolling pin. Did you know that cookies are a popular snack? Normal donuts are then made on a conveyor belt as icing is dripped on top, while Munchkins are put on baking sheets in squares. The Munchkins grow into a shape similar to cookies. But since they are made out of lighter dough, they take on more of a ball shape than a circle shape. They are delicious desserts.

PARAGRAPH 1

Main Idea: There are a surprising amount of donut records.

Supporting Sentences

Non-Supporting Sentences

Her name was placed in the Guinness World Records book.

Joey Chestnut ate 55 donuts in eight minutes.

reference into the correct pile.

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Cut the sentences out. Have students sort them onto the correct mat.

PARAGRAPH 1

The largest donut ever made weighed over 17 tons and was created in 2014 in Flourtown, USA. It is equal to 3,300 pounds. **A**

The tallest donut stack ever built was 135 inches tall. **B**

The largest box of donuts ever created weighed nearly 300 pounds. **C**

He is a well-known competitive eater in the USA. **D**

Kristina Harrison frosted a dozen donuts in 30 seconds. **E**

Her name was placed in the Guinness World Records book. **F**

A bakery made 22,000 donuts in a single day. **G**

Joey Chestnut ate 55 donuts in eight minutes. **H**

The largest box of donuts ever created weighed nearly 300 pounds. **I**

Hands-On Center:

Students decide if each sentence from the paragraph supports the main idea or is a non-supporting detail.



RIGHT AND WRONG DONUTS: PARAGRAPH 1

Write each letter where it belongs to show if each detail supports the main idea or is a non-supporting detail.

Paragraph 1 Supporting Details	Paragraph 1 Non-Supporting Details	<p>The largest donut ever made weighed over 17 tons and was created in 2014 in Flourtown, USA. A</p> <p>That is equal to 3,300 pounds. B</p> <p>The tallest donut stack ever built was 135 inches tall. C</p> <p>The largest box of donuts ever created weighed nearly 300 pounds. D</p> <p>He is a well-known competitive eater in the USA. E</p> <p>Kristina Harrison frosted a dozen donuts in 30 seconds. F</p> <p>Her name was placed in the Guinness World Records book. G</p> <p>A bakery made 22,000 donuts in a single day. H</p> <p>Joey Chestnut ate 55 donuts in eight minutes. I</p>
A	B	
C	D	
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I	G	

Paragraph 1 Main Idea: There are a surprising amount of donut records.

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Color by Code

THE SWEET WORLD OF DONUTS

Donut decorating is a fun way for bakers to show their creativity and make customers happy. There are many ways to make donuts look good and taste great. For example, you can make a simple glaze by mixing powdered sugar with milk or water. To make donuts even more tempting, try adding colorful sprinkles, crushed nuts, or drizzles of chocolate and caramel on top. Or, use icing to stencil designs of characters on the donut or add edible glitter kids can eat. Decorating donuts is something anyone can do.

In recent years, gourmet donut shops have become very popular. Essentially, they make fancy donuts! These shops offer a variety of flavors and high-quality ingredients. Flavors like lavender, maple bacon, and matcha green tea attract customers looking for something new to eat. Many gourmet shops also use organic ingredients, which people find more healthy. Gourmet donut shops are often featured on social media as well.

Donuts are also used for fundraisers and charity drives. Schools, sports teams, and local groups hold donut sales to raise money. These events bring communities together and create a sense of friendship while supporting important efforts. For example, selling boxes of donuts during a local festival or holding a donut-eating contest can attract crowds and increase donations. This mix of treats and charitable work makes donuts a great choice for those who want to make a difference while enjoying something sweet.

What is the main idea in the first paragraph?

1. Color the answer red.

What are 3 supporting details in the first paragraph? Color all 3.

Color the answer light blue.

What are 3 supporting details in the second paragraph? Color all 3.

4. Color the answer yellow.

Hands-On Center:

Use the coloring task card questions to color in answers in the text.



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Task Cards

Donuts may be popular in many countries, but each culture has its own take on this pastry. In Spain, people like churros. These are long fried dough sticks dipped in chocolate or sprinkled with sugar. France is famous for beignets, which are fluffy square donuts covered in powdered sugar. Turkey serves lokma bite-sized, syrup-soaked donut balls. In South Africa, koeksisters are twisted donuts with a sticky syrup coating. Japan makes mochi donuts with rice flour. Donuts come in many shapes and styles around the world.

2. What's the main idea?

Donuts have made many appearances in movies and TV shows. One example is Homer Simpson's love for donuts in the long-running show *The Simpsons*, where his craving for the sugary treat is well-known. In movies like *Zootopia*, donuts play a comedic role, such as the giant donut that causes chaos during a chase scene. Police officers are portrayed eating donuts in shows like *Brooklyn Nine-Nine*. Whether used for laughs or as a fun prop, donuts have become a fun part of pop culture on screen.

3. What's the main idea?

All donuts require icing. However, you don't want to use too much icing and you don't want to use too little. When someone first bites into a donut, you want them to taste both dough and frosting. One shouldn't overpower the other. The right balance makes the donut more enjoyable. It's also important not to put too many toppings on top or the donut will break. Some people prefer simple glazes, while others like a donut can be decorated in many different ways.

Name: _____

WHAT'S THE MAIN IDEA?

1. Donuts may be popular in many countries, but each culture has its own take on this pastry.

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Read each paragraph. Summarize the main idea in each box.

Hands-On Center:

Students read each task card and write a response.



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Write a Sentence

What is the main idea of the entire passage?

The main idea of the passage is about how the history of donuts shows how they changed from old Middle Eastern foods to a favorite snack in America, with many new additions to them over the years.

2. What is the main idea of paragraph 1?

The main idea of the first paragraph is that donuts were invented a long time ago by people in the Middle East.

THE HISTORY OF THE DONUT

While no one is sure exactly where they originated, a lot of donuts began in the Middle East. Cooks would bake unsweetened dough to make it more enticing to customers. Donuts also did not change when they were first created.

These delicious treats spread to Europe. Donuts became popular in the United States and Germany. During this time, sugar was rare so chefs used other ingredients for the donuts instead. It was during this time period that people started to make it taste even better. Egg yolks were added, which made it a better product. Unfortunately, this left the middle of the donut hollow. The USA soon after this. Americans were hesitant to try them at first. Later on, women would serve donuts to men in the military. This led to people all over the country loving donuts. An American donut was invented in 1920. Donut sales got even better. The sales increased during World War II and companies began selling donuts. Krispy Kreme and Dunkin' Donuts are now household names throughout the country.

Hands-On Center:

Students write the answer to each prompt on the lines.

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THE HISTORY OF DONUTS

- What is the main idea of the entire passage?
- What is the main idea of paragraph 1?
- What is the main idea of paragraph 2?
- What is the main idea of paragraph 3?

Write the answer to each question in a complete sentence in each box.

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Sorting Game

Main Idea #1: Donuts are a very popular food to eat in America.

Main Idea #2: National Donut Day is a non-official holiday where people eat donuts.

Main Idea #3: There are hundreds of different types of donuts in America.

Sorting Mats:

- pink:** Over half of Americans have brought donuts to work to share with colleagues.
- blue:** National Donut Day was created by the Salvation Army in 1938 to honor women who served donuts to soldiers.
- green:** Many well-known donut chains give away free donuts on National Donut Day.
- purple:** The s'mores donut is especially popular in South Carolina.
- orange:** There are 6 different types of grilled cheese donut sandwiches available.

Hands-On Center:

Students sort each detail onto the correct mat.

Name: _____

ALL ABOUT DONUTS: SORT

Color in each detail so it is the same color as the main idea it goes with.

pink

MAIN IDEA #1
Donuts are a very popular food to eat in America.

blue

MAIN IDEA #2
National Donut Day is a non-official holiday where people eat donuts.

green

MAIN IDEA #3
There are hundreds of different types of donuts in America.

- National Donut Day was created by the Salvation Army in 1938 to honor women who served donuts to soldiers.
- Over half of Americans have brought donuts to work to share with colleagues.
- The s'mores donut is especially popular in South Carolina.
- Unique flavors, such as lavender donuts and lemon-filled donuts, are becoming more available.
- There are 6 different types of grilled cheese donut sandwiches available.
- Working residents eat more donuts than people in any other state.
- National Donut Day is celebrated twice a year, on June 7 and again in November.
- Approximately 20% of donuts sold are purchased on weekends.
- Women would fry donuts in hot oil and serve them to soldiers fighting in the war.
- Americans spend an average of \$20 million on donuts every year.
- Many well-known donut chains give away free donuts on National Donut Day.
- The annual celebration of a donut and a sandwich became famous in 2013 and was raised for up to \$100.
- For varieties like the unicorn donut, blue donut and cotton candy donut can be found.
- The Salvation Army continues to sell donuts on the holiday, using the money to help veterans.
- A recent poll showed that 81% of Americans like or love donuts.

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Sequencing Puzzles

OUT OF ORDER DONUTS

Uh oh! It looks like the two paragraphs are out of order.

Begin by finding the main idea followed by the supporting details. Place each card where it belongs.

Main Idea	Detail #1	Detail #2	Detail #3	Conclusion
There are many strange donut flavors all over the world. A. Paragraph 1	Paragraph 1	Paragraph 1	Paragraph 1	Finally, there is a donut in Hawaii that is purple in the middle because of starch paste put inside of it. C. Paragraph 1

First, there is a donut that is flavored like bubblegum in Denver, Colorado.
E. Paragraph 1

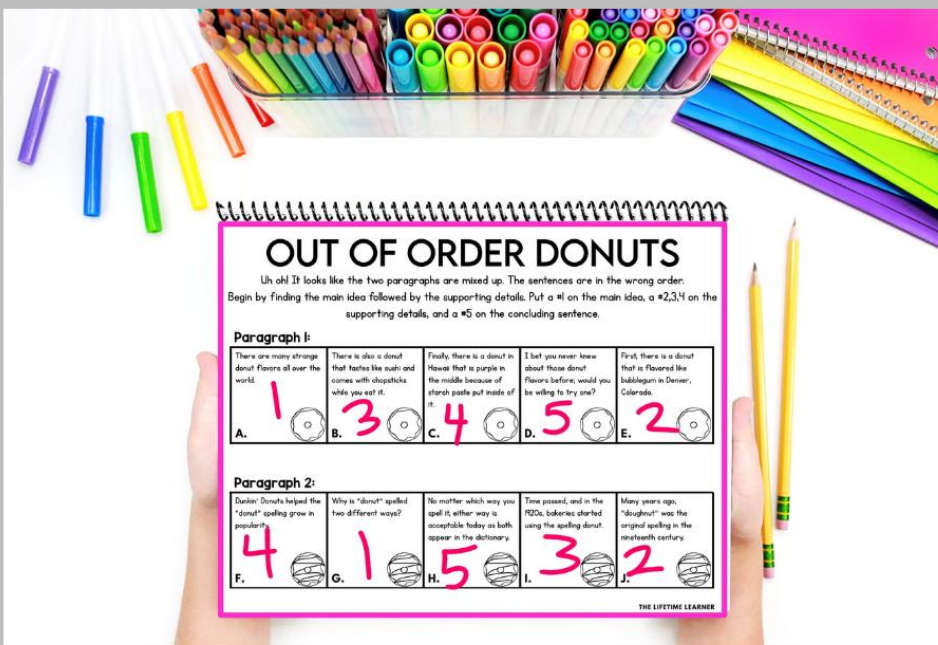
There is also a donut that tastes like sushi and comes with chopsticks while you eat it.
B. Paragraph 1

Main Idea	Detail #1	Detail #2	Detail #3	Conclusion
Paragraph 2	Paragraph 2	Paragraph 2	Paragraph 2	Paragraph 2

I bet you never knew about those donut flavors before; would you be willing to try one?
D. Paragraph 1

Hands-On Center:

The main idea paragraphs are mixed up. Students put the main idea, supporting details, and conclusion in order.



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10

Fill in the Blank

HOW THE DONUT GOT ITS HOLE

Hanson Gregory is credited with the idea of putting a hole in the middle of a donut.

However, the details of why he wanted to do so are unclear. He was 16 years old at the time. Here are some theories of why he wanted a hole in the middle.

The first theory brought up is he didn't like how the inside of donuts tasted. It was crispy on the outside but _____ in the middle. He suggested punching the inside out to solve this. It helped donuts fully cook and no one had to eat anything raw.

The second theory relates to Hanson's job. He was a seaman and enjoying a donut while steering his ship. The sea became rough and he needed both hands to _____. He stuck his donut on the spokes of the steering wheel to keep his hands free. He was able to steer and it made the hole in the center. Other _____ heard and spread the word.

The third theory concerns Hanson Gregory's mother. Elizabeth Gregory was the one who frequently made donuts for her son. Some say that Hanson suggested to his _____ they could save money and use less _____ if they poked a hole in the middle of the donut. His mother loved the idea and started making them the new way.

There are a wide variety of opinions about which theory is true. Did Hanson create the hole to make the donut taste _____, as an _____ while steering the ship, or to help his mother save _____? What do you think?

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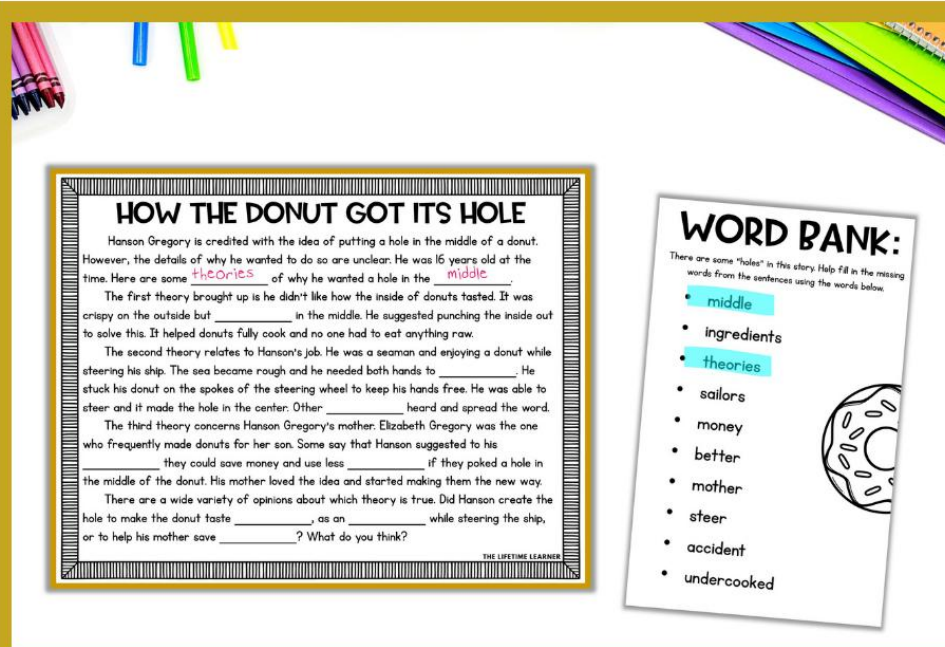
There are some "holes" in this story. Help fill in the missing words from the sentences using the words below.

- middle
- ingredients
- theories
- sailors
- money
- better
- mother
- steer
- accident
- undercooked



Hands-On Center:

Students read the passage and use words from the word bank to fill in the blanks as they read.



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HOW TO USE THIS:

Ideas for Implementation:

- pick and choose the centers you want to use: do what works best for your class!
- give less than 10 centers to students if you are short on time
- give students the whole day to complete all 10 centers/activities OR spread the room transformation out over a couple of days
- use the hands-on centers during your room transformation and the no-prep printables as a review during your reading block

ALL ABOUT DONUTS!

Donuts are a super popular food in America! A recent poll showed that 96% of people like donuts. Over half of Americans have shared them with people at work. In Wyoming, people eat more donuts than in any other state. Did you know 20% of donuts are sold on weekends? In fact, Americans spend \$230 million on donuts every year. The most popular type is the glazed donut, followed by chocolate sprinkle and apple fritters. Donuts are easy to find in stores, convenient to eat on the go, and come in many yummy flavors.

One special day for donuts is National Donut Day. It actually happens twice a year! We celebrate National Donut Day on June 7th and again in November. This day was created by the Salvation Army to honor women who served donuts to soldiers during World War I. Women would fry donuts in helmets and serve them to the soldiers. Today, donut shops sell donuts on this day to help veterans. Many donut shops also give away donuts on National Donut Day.

There are hundreds of different kinds of donuts in America. You might like chocolate donuts, chocolate sprinkles, donut holes, and crullers. But have you heard of bean-filled donuts? One fun flavor is the s'mores donut, popular in South Carolina. There are also silly kinds like the unicorn, Elvis, and cotton candy donut. The cronut, a combination of a donut and a croissant, became famous in 2013. People bought them for \$5 and now \$10! Other creations include the bacon bar donut (bacon and maple syrup) and the unicorn donut (6 different types to choose from) in the northeast. There's a lot to love about donuts!

ALL ABOUT DONUTS: SORT
Color in each detail so it is the same color as the main idea it goes with.

pink
MAIN IDEA #1
Donuts are a very popular food to eat in America.

blue
MAIN IDEA #2
National Donut Day is a non-official holiday where people eat donuts.

green
MAIN IDEA #3
There are hundreds of different types of donuts in America.

A. National Donut Day was created by the Salvation Army in 1938 to honor women who served donuts to soldiers.

B. Over half of Americans have brought donuts to work to share with colleagues.

C. The s'mores donut is especially popular in South Carolina.

D. Unique flavors such as lavender donuts and bean-filled donuts exist.

E. There are 6 different types of grilled cheese donut sandwiches available.

F. Wyoming residents eat more donuts than people in any other state.

G. National Donut Day is celebrated twice a year, on June 7th and again in November.

H. Approximately 20% of donuts sold are purchased on weekends.

I. Women would fry donuts in helmets and serve them to soldiers fighting in the war.

J. Americans spend an average of \$230 million on donuts every year.

K. Many well-known donut chains give away free donuts on National Donut Day.

L. The cronut, a combination of a donut and a croissant, became famous in 2013 and was resold for up to \$100.

M. Fun varieties like the unicorn donut, Elvis donut, and cotton candy donut can be found.

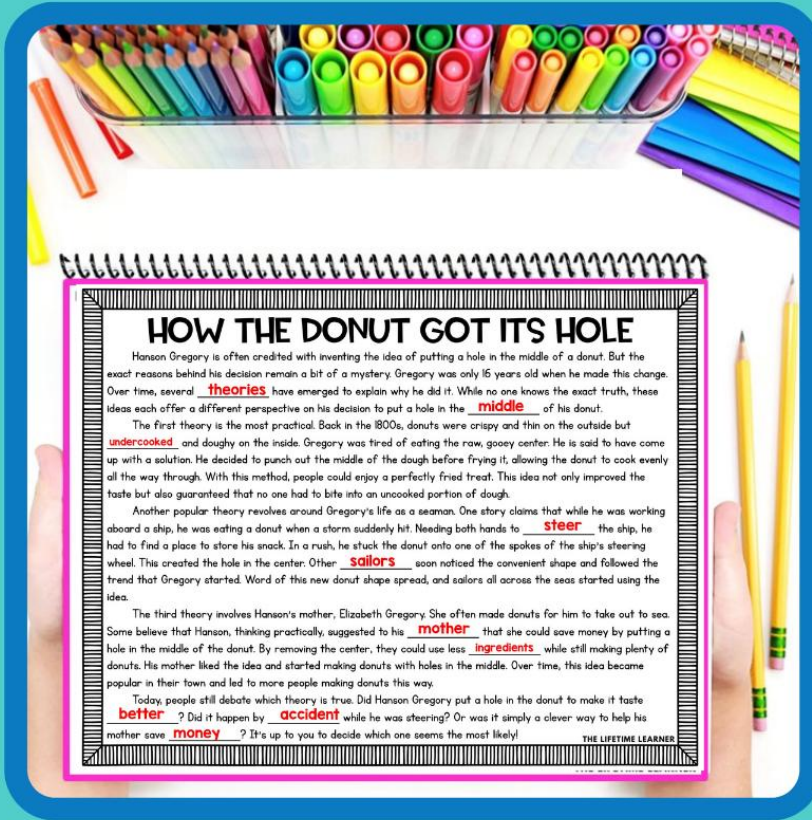
N. The Salvation Army continues to sell donuts on this holiday, using the money to help veterans.

O. A recent poll showed that 96% of Americans like or love donuts.

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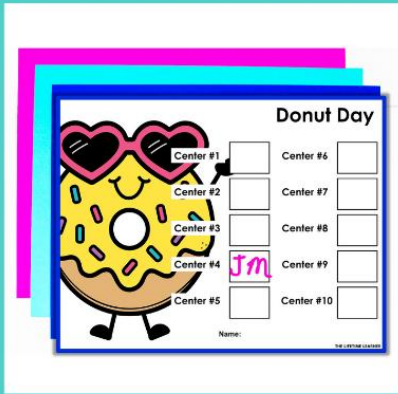
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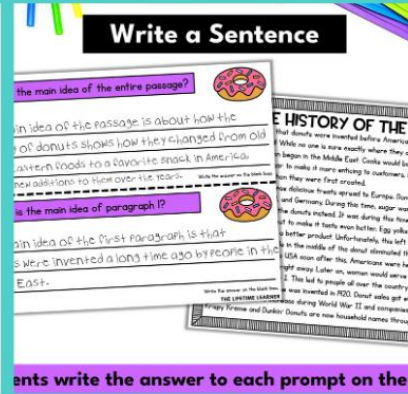
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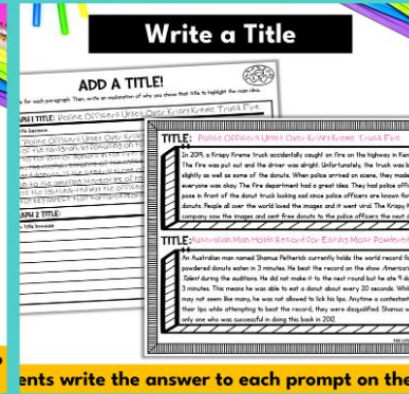
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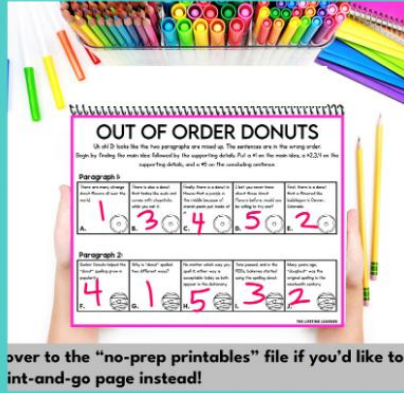
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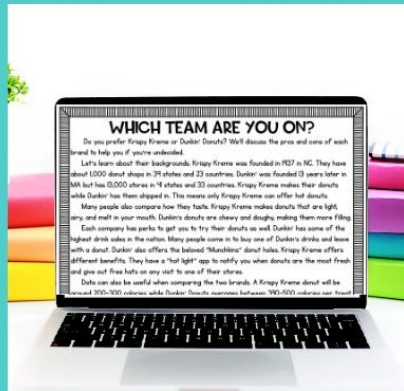
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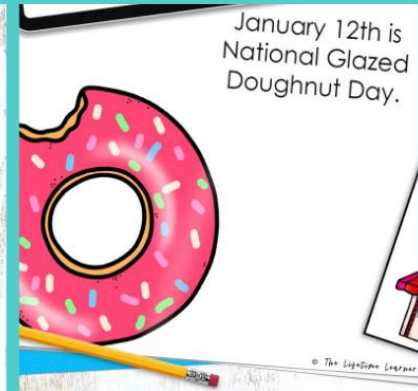
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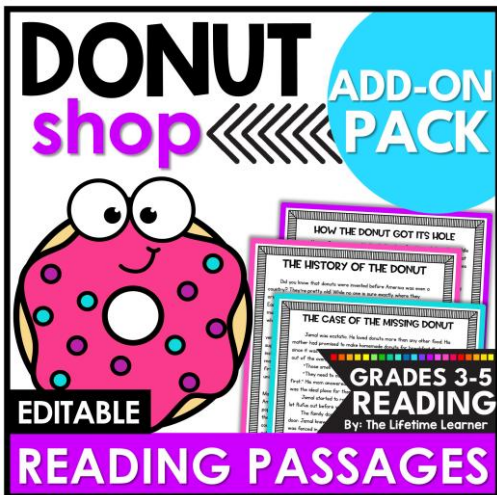
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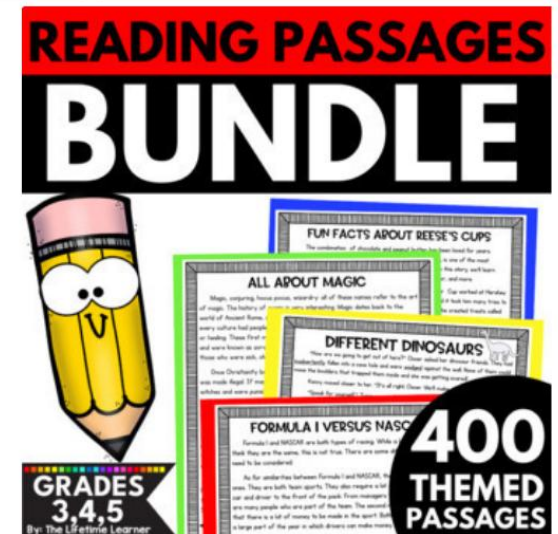
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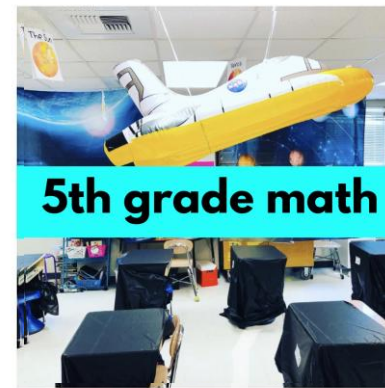
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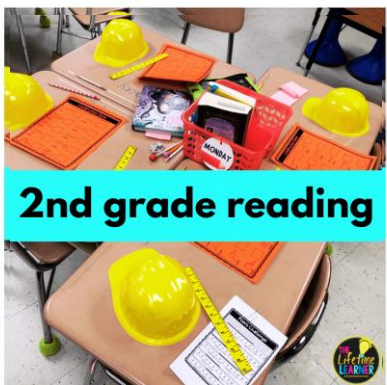
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