

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!

MARMIE'S CHALLENGE

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#1 What qualities made Marmie the "heart" of the band's sound?

D. Her powerhouse vocals and electrifying guitar solos.

#2 Why did the band allow Cole to play during the concert?

J. They had no other options, and Cole knew every chord, lyric, and solo from their setlist.

#3 What risks did the band take by letting Cole perform?

H. They would disappoint the crowd if Cole couldn't play well or if the performance failed.

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

This themed learning day has 10 stations that all review FICTION reading skills 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

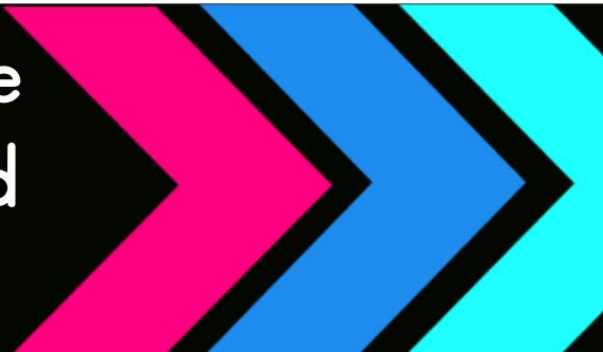


Rock Star Day



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 1:

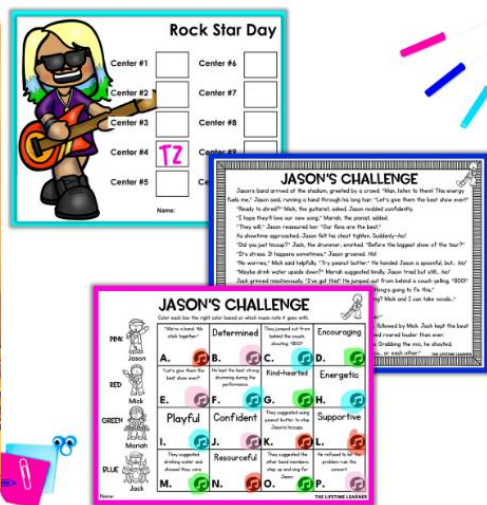
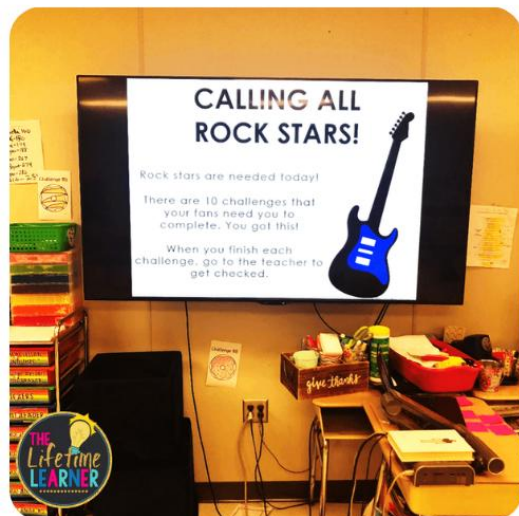
Tell your class they are rock stars today!

They will complete reading comprehension activities set up around the room. You can do this for a day, a few days, or over the course of a week!



Set-up is quick and easy.

Simply print the posters, 10 activities, and a recording sheet for each student. Place them around your room and you're ready to begin!



Flexibility is key.

Need to modify? No problem! Choose how many centers students will need to complete and what time frame they have to meet YOUR needs.



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 reading comprehension 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!

Rock Star Day

Center #1 Center #6
Center #2 Center #7
Center #3 Center #8
Center #4 **TZ** Center #9
Center #5 Center #10

Name: _____

JASON'S CHALLENGE

Jason's band arrived at the stadium, greeted by a crowd. "Man, listen to them! This energy fuels me," Jason said, running a hand through his long hair. "Let's give them the best show ever!" "Ready to shred?" Mick, the guitarist, asked. Jason nodded confidently. "I hope they'll love our new song," Mariah, the pianist, added. "They will," Jason reassured her. "Our fans are the best." As showtime approached, Jason felt his chest tighten. Suddenly—*hic!* "Did you just hiccup?" Jack, the drummer, smirked. "Before the biggest show of the tour?" "It's stress. It happens sometimes," Jason groaned. *Hic!* "No worries," Mick said helpfully. "Try peanut butter." He handed Jason a spoonful, but... *hic!* "Maybe drink water upside down?" Mariah suggested kindly. Jason tried but still... *hic!* Jack grinned mischievously. "I've got this!" He jumped out from behind a couch yelling, "BOOO!"

JASON'S CHALLENGE

Color each box the right color based on which music note it goes with.

PINK: Jason	"We're a band. We stick together!"	Determined	They jumped out from behind the couch, shouting "BOOO!"	Encouraging				
RED: Mick	"Let's give them the best show ever!"	A.	He kept the best strong drumming during the performance.	B.	Kind-hearted	Energetic		
GREEN: Mariah	Playful	E.	Confident	F.	G.	H.	Supportive	
BLUE: Jack	They suggested drinking water and showed they care.	I.	Resourceful	J.	K.	L.	O.	P.

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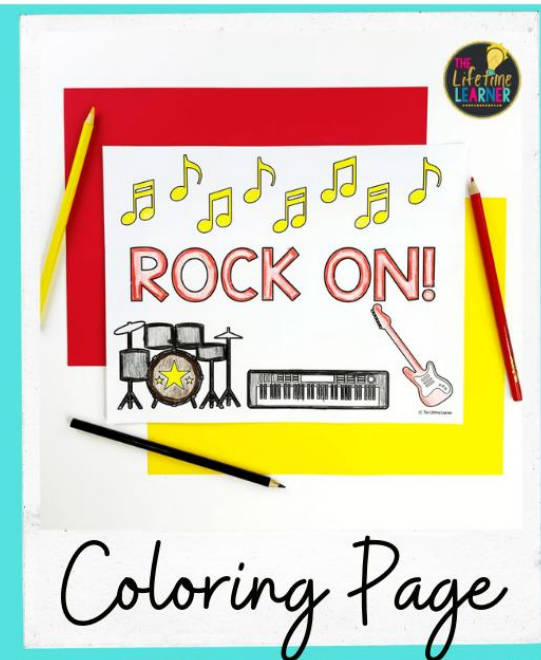
STEP 3:

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!

Digital Scavenger Hunt

Let students "find" the facts on Google Slides

Printable Facts

Hang facts around room

QR Codes

Students scan to read fun facts



1

2

3

10 READING COMPREHENSION PASSAGES/ACTIVITIES:

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PINK



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Determined

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Encouraging

OWEN'S CHALLENGE

Owen was a unique teenager known around town. He spent his days drumming on the garbage cans outside his house, ignoring what others thought. Though he wasn't mean, he played his drums late into the night, disturbing the neighbors.

Sammy was a fiery girl. She stomped around angrily, blowing air through straws to make whistling sounds. Her cranky attitude kept most people at a distance.

Marissa loved experimenting with different sounds. She collected plastic Easter eggs and filled them with objects like coins and jelly beans. Then she turned them into...



OWEN'S CHALLENGE

Color each box the right color based on which music note it goes with.



RED



PURPLE



Stayed outside making noise without thinking of others

A.

Kept people away with her temper

Made maracas from easter eggs

B.

Curious

Inconsiderate

C.

Played plastic straws like wind instruments

Liked to be by themselves

D.

Played loud garbage-can drums

Creative

E.

Joined a band

DALENCIA'S CHALLENGE

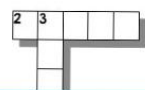
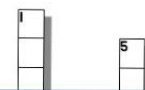
Dalencia and Derik strolled through the woods one Saturday afternoon when something unusual caught their eye: a guitar in the middle of the forest. As they moved closer, they saw a tiny leprechaun holding the guitar, shouting, "Music! Music!" Dalencia and Derik were puzzled. Curiosity got the better of Derik. He picked up the guitar and strummed it. His fingers



DALENCIA'S CHALLENGE

WORD BANK:

- anger
- concerned
- pride
- dismissive



DONNA'S CHALLENGE

Donna and her band, Orange Peel, landed a gig at the Beachland Ballroom. It was a music hall overlooking Lake Erie. The two-story building featured large windows with stunning views of the lake. Donna thought there it was a perfect setting for a concert.

Orange Peel had two drummers as the leads. But it always made loading in for shows



Name: _____

DONNA'S CHALLENGE

1. What did Donna and the roadies carry up the

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**focuses on:
end of year review**

2 Versions of Every Passage Included for Students

MARMIE'S CHALLENGE



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As she was helped offstage, the fans chanted her name. Unfortunately, it seemed like the concert was doomed to end early. Then, a timid young man approached the stage and whispered to the drummer. The young man, Cole, turned out to be the band's biggest fan. He knew every chord, lyric, and guitar solo from their setlist by heart. With no other options, the band gave him a chance. Cole took a deep breath and began.

MARMIE'S CHALLENGE



One of the biggest shows Marmie and her band ever played was every guitarist's dream come true. They were booked to perform at the Spring Flower Show, an annual event where people eager to escape the winter blues gathered to enjoy vibrant blossoms and live music.

Over the past few years, Marmie's band had gained quite a following. Fans traveled from festival to festival just to hear them play, and their social media accounts were filled with tons of fans. Marmie was known for her powerhouse vocals and electrifying guitar solos. She was the heart of the band's sound.

Everything was going perfectly until one unexpected misstep caused disaster. While performing their hit single "Always," Marmie danced across the stage, lost her footing, and tripped over a stray cord. She fell hard and landed on her wrist at an awkward angle. Pain shot through her arm, and her wrist swelled up like a balloon within minutes.

As she was carefully helped offstage, the fans continued chanting her name. Unfortunately, it seemed like the concert was doomed to end early. Just when hope seemed lost, a timid young man nervously approached the stage and whispered something to the drummer.

The young man, Cole, turned out to be the band's biggest fan. He knew every chord, lyric, and guitar solo from their entire setlist by heart. With no other options, the band decided to give him a chance. Cole slung Marmie's guitar strap over his shoulder and took a deep breath.

The first notes that rang out were pure magic. Cole played with passion and precision, transforming what could have been a disaster into an unforgettable performance. The crowd erupted with cheers and sang along louder than ever.

What could've been the worst night of the Spring Flower Show became one of its most legendary concerts. Marmie and her band were so impressed that they invited Cole to play with them at future gigs. When Cole and Marmie sang together, they created a unique blend of sounds unlike anything anyone had ever heard. It was a night neither the band nor their fans would ever forget. Marmie was grateful Cole had been willing to step up and help out.

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MARLEY'S CHALLENGE



Marley was known as a smooth operator as she played her her saxophone. While the saxophone isn't the first instrument you think of in rock music, Marley made it work with style and skill. Unfortunately, the band didn't have many gigs. Steve, the keyboard player, suggested cutting back on band members to save money. "I can make saxophone sounds on my keyboard," he argued. "We don't need your real saxophone. We'll fake it."

"But what will I do then?" Marley asked, feeling frustrated.

Mike sided with Steve. "It's not personal. We just need to cut costs," he explained.

"That's not fair! You don't want me because I'm a girl!" Marley protested.

"It's not about that," Steve insisted. "We're just trying to stay afloat."

That Friday night, the band was booked. Marley had been cut, but she showed up and watched from the back. The first two songs went well, and the crowd was hopping.

"Good evening! How's everyone, tonight?" Steve shouted, earning loud cheers.

Then, disaster struck. The power went out, silencing the keyboard and electric guitars. Mike grabbed his acoustic guitar he could play in the dark, and the drummer kept the beat.

MARLEY'S CHALLENGE

Marley was known as a smooth operator, but she was never smoother than when playing her saxophone in a rock band. While the saxophone isn't the first instrument you think of in rock music, Marley made it work with style and skill. Unfortunately, the band didn't have many gigs.

Steve, the keyboard player, suggested cutting back on band members to save money. "I can make saxophone sounds on my keyboard," he argued. "We don't need your real saxophone. We'll fake it."

"But what will I do then?" Marley asked, feeling frustrated.

Mike, the lead guitarist, sided with Steve. "It's nothing personal. We just need to cut costs," he explained.

"That's not fair! You just don't want me in the band because I'm a girl!" Marley protested.

"It's not about that," Steve insisted. "We're just trying to stay afloat."

That Friday night, the band was booked to play at Hyland Park. Even though Marley had been cut from the lineup, she showed up and quietly watched from the back of the crowd. The first two songs went off without a hitch, and the crowd was buzzing with excitement.

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

SCARLET'S CHALLENGE

Scarlet was always up in her room, making music out of thin air, with her electric guitar. The electric guitar pulsed with power, striking a chord with anyone who heard it. Day after day, night after night, she practiced tirelessly.

Before long, she decided to form a band with her younger sister and the kid down the street. They practiced nonstop. Their sound grew stronger, and their confidence soared. After a few months together, they landed a gig at the summer festival. It was like music to their ears the day they were told that they were booked.

Friends and family gathered in the front row, buzzing with excitement for the big show. "Time to face the music," Scarlet's sister mumbled.

"Break a leg!" Scarlet's mom called out with a wink.

The band pulled out all the stops and crushed their performance. The cheers after every song. Just as they were about to leave the stage, they played for an encore. They happily played their best song, "Bouncing Baby Boy," that rocked the house.

Scarlet heard a fan yell, "This band is hitting it out of the park!"

That night, the band went home feeling like true rock stars, their hearts pounding to the beat of their amazing show.

Name: _____

CUT AND PASTE

Glue each phrase's meaning where it belongs below.

"Making music out of thin air"	"Striking a chord"	"Music to their ears"	"Time to face the music"
"Break a leg"	"Pull out all the stops"	"Rocked the house"	"Hitting it out of the park"

Hearing something very pleasing or exciting.


A way to wish someone good luck before a performance or big event.

Doing or saying something that makes people feel emotional or connected.

Doing everything possible to succeed or perform well.

Accepting the consequences of something you've done.

Creating something amazing from nothing.



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


No-Prep Printables

Name: _____

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"Break a leg"	"Pull out all the stops"	"Rocked the house"	"Hitting it out of the park"
A way to wish someone good luck before a performance or big event.	Doing everything possible to succeed or perform well.	Giving an incredible, exciting performance.	Doing something extremely well or being very successful.



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

CHERYL'S CHALLENGE
 Cheryl was a fearless girl who refused to fit into the mold others expected. She was a troublemaker in a world that expected drummers to be boys. Getting into a band was no easy feat. The music scene leaned toward male drummers for gigs. But when Cheryl heard that auditions were being held for her favorite band, Garage Thrash Attack, she knew she couldn't pass it up. She tucked her long hair into a hat and spoke in a low, confident voice so they wouldn't dismiss her. Cheryl's beats and skill hit all the right notes. The band was impressed. Without hesitation, the lead singer picked her. Their dedication soon paid off. They practiced perfecting every song. The band became...

Name: _____

CHERYL'S MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. D	2. A	3. C	4.
5.	6.	7.	8.
9.	10.	11.	12.

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What does the phrase "hit all the right notes" mean in the passage?

- A. Cheryl played only soft notes.
- B. Cheryl followed the band's orders.
- C. Cheryl only played her favorite songs.
- D. Cheryl's drumming was perfect.

1.

What does the phrase "a blur of thunder" describe?

- A. The speed of Cheryl's drumsticks
- B. The sound of the crowd cheering
- C. The band's instruments being too loud
- D. The storm outside the festival

2.

Hands-On Center:

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

Name: _____

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5. Which word is a synonym for "sensation" in the passage? A. Failure B. Feeling C. Success D. Secret	6. What does the word "cocooned" mean in the context of the passage? A. Flew quickly through the air. B. Fell down smoothly. C. Rose up with great force. D. Spread slowly and quietly.	7. What is the mood of the story? A. Appearances are more important than skill. B. It's best to keep your talent a secret. C. Talent, passion, and heart matter more than appearance. D. Winning is the most important thing.	8. Which character trait best describes Cheryl? A. Determined B. Shy C. Nervous D. Lazy
9. How did Cheryl change over time in the story? A. She went from unsure to confident in her drumming abilities. B. She stopped playing drums after being dismissed. C. She quit the band after her secret was revealed. D. She went from hiding her identity to embracing her true self.	10. Which character trait does NOT describe Cheryl's landmarks by the end? A. Supportive B. Fear C. Respectful D. Judgmental	11. Which event happened right before Cheryl's hair fell off? A. The crowd cheered. B. The band was on fire during the performance. C. Cheryl's drumstick flew out of her hand. D. The band booked more gigs.	12. Which of the following did NOT happen in the story? A. Cheryl's hair fell down after her hot date. B. Cheryl tripped on stage. C. The band was on fire with energy. D. The audience realized talent matters more than appearance.

Write A, B, C, or D in each box.

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

No Prep Printable Worksheet!

CENTER 2

Crossword Puzzle

DALENCIA'S CHALLENGE
 Dalencia walked through the woods one Saturday afternoon when something magical happened in the middle of the forest. As they moved closer, they saw a leprechaun playing the guitar, shouting, "Musical Music! Dalencia and Derk were puzzled. The better of Derk: He wanted to see the leprechaun and steal his magic guitar. He decided to go on his own, playing a guitar he didn't know. Derk started ignoring Dalencia's advice, he treated his bandmates poorly. At first, Dalencia cheered, but she treated her bandmates poorly. "You've got to remember, I'm doing fine," Derk said. The leprechaun was on the Derk pushed past Dalencia. "Your time with my guitar of music, but of opportunity. "Wait! I can change! Don't! The leprechaun shook his head that no power can help you. Magic fading away. As the leprechaun disappeared, Dalencia and Derk were puzzled.

DALENCIA'S CHALLENGE

WORD BANK:

- anger
- pride
- gratitude
- arrogant
- respect
- humility
- concerned
- dismissive
- magic
- amazed
- greed
- puzzled

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

1 DOWN

What character trait would have prevented Derk from losing the guitar?

2 ACROSS

What did Derk wrongly believe would ensure his success?

7 ACROSS

What word describes how Derk felt while playing the guitar?

Hands-On Center:

Students use the clue cards to fill in the crossword puzzle.

DON'T FORGET!

DALENCIA'S CHALLENGE

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- anger
- pride
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Across

- What did Derk wrongly believe would ensure his success?
- What word describes how Derk felt while playing the guitar?
- What did Derk fail to do when he lost his guitar?
- What word best describes Derk's attitude after becoming famous?
- What negative trait did Derk develop as he became famous?
- How did Dalencia feel when she saw the guitar?
- What word describes how Derk responded when warned about his behavior?

Down

- What character trait would have prevented Derk from losing the guitar?
- What emotion best motivated the leprechaun to take back the guitar?
- What emotion best describes Dalencia's reaction to Derk's knee-deep behavior?
- What trait did the leprechaun hope Derk would show but didn't?
- What specific flaw caused Derk to lose the magic of the guitar?

Name: _____

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

No Prep Printable Worksheet!

CENTER 5

Color by Code

DONNA'S CHALLENGE

Donna and her band, Orange Peel, landed a gig at the Beachland Ballroom. It was a music hall overlooking **the lake**. The two-story building featured large windows with stunning views of the lake. Donna thought there it was a perfect setting for a concert.

Orange Peel had two drummers as the leads. But it always made loading in for shows a challenge because they had to get so many parts into the truck. They arrived at **4 PM**, giving themselves plenty of time to haul equipment and run a sound check.

"Roger, let's unload drum kits first," Donna directed. "Take them on the elevator."

"You've got it," **Roger** agreed as he and **Christopher** carried the first drum set off.

"**These things weigh a ton**," Christopher groaned.

"Off we go!" Roger shouted confidently. Suddenly, **a horrible grinding noise occurred**. The elevator refused to move, trapping Roger inside. The doors would not open. From outside, Donna watched **helplessly**, unable to assist **the stranded drummers**.

Determined, Donna and the roadies carried **two sets of drums and amplifiers on two stairs** up two long flights of stairs. Roger and the drum set were still locked in. The venue doors were about to open. When it looked hopeless, **Roger appeared around the corner**. "We did it! We're out of the elevator!" he said **triumphantly**.

The band clapped in **pat**. **Thanks to everyone's hard work, it did**

1. How did Roger feel when he finally got out of the elevator?

2. Color the answer light blue.

3. Where did Roger appear from after escaping the elevator?

4. Color the answer yellow.

What did Donna and the roadies carry up the stairs?

1. Color the answer red.

Hands-On Center:

Students use the coloring task card questions to color in answers in the text.



No Prep Printable Worksheet!

CENTER 6

Puzzles

MARMIE'S CHALLENGE

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fell across the stage, lost her footing, and tripped over a cord. She fell hard and landed on her wrist at an awkward angle. Pain shot through her arm as it swelled up. As she was helped offstage, the fans chanted her name. Unfortunately, it seemed the concert was doomed to end early. Then, a timid young man approached the stage and whispered to the drummer. The young man, Cole, turned out to be the band's newest fan. He knew every chord, lyric, and guitar solo from their setlist by heart. With their options, the band gave him a chance. Cole took a deep breath and began.

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What qualities made Marmie the "heart" of the band's sound?

Why did the band allow Cole to play during the concert?

What risks did the band take by letting Cole perform?

1. What qualities made Marmie the "heart" of the band's sound?

D. Her powerhouse vocals and electrifying guitar solos.

2. Why did the band allow Cole to play during the concert?

J. They had no other options, and Cole knew every chord, lyric, and solo from their setlist.

3. What risks did the band take by letting Cole perform?

H. They would disappoint the crowd if Cole couldn't play well or if the performance failed.

Hands-On Center:

Students put each 2-piece puzzle together.



No Prep Printable Worksheet!

CENTER 7

Write a Sentence

MARLEY'S CHALLENGE

Marley was known as a smooth operator as she played her saxophone. While the saxophone isn't the first instrument you think of in rock music, Marley made it work with her style and skill. Unfortunately, the band didn't have much of a backup plan. Steve suggested cutting back on band members to save money. "We don't need your real keyboard," he argued. "But what will I do then?" Marley asked, feeling a bit nervous. "Mike sided with Steve. 'It's not personal. We just want to see how they performed, even though she was upset.' That's not fair! You don't want me because I'm not a rock star?" Steve insisted. "We're just trying to make the band work. That Friday night, the band was booked. Marley watched from the back. The first two songs went well. 'Good evening! How's everyone, tonight?' Steve said. Then, disaster struck. The power went out, and the band had to stop. Mike grabbed his acoustic guitar he could play in the dark. Unfortunately, the sound felt empty. "Need some backup?" Without hesitation, she jumped on stage and played her saxophone. Steve and Mike realized how much the night would be different without her to rejoin. No one would ever forget Marley's challenge.

1. Why did Steve think the band could do without Marley?

He thought he could mimic saxophone sounds on his keyboard and save money by cutting her from the band.

Write the answer on your recording sheet.

2. Why did Marley show up at the concert even though she was out from the band?

She still cared about the band and wanted to see how they performed, even though she was upset.

Write the answer on your recording sheet.

3. What can you infer about Marley's feelings when she offered to help after the power went out?

She still cared about the music and wanted to help despite being treated unfairly.

Write the answer on your recording sheet.

4. Why did Steve and Mike apologize after the concert?

They realized Marley's saxophone added a unique and irreplaceable sound they couldn't fake on their keyboard.

Write the answer on your recording sheet.

Hands-On Center:

Students write the answer to each prompt on the lines.

CENTER 8

Sorting Game

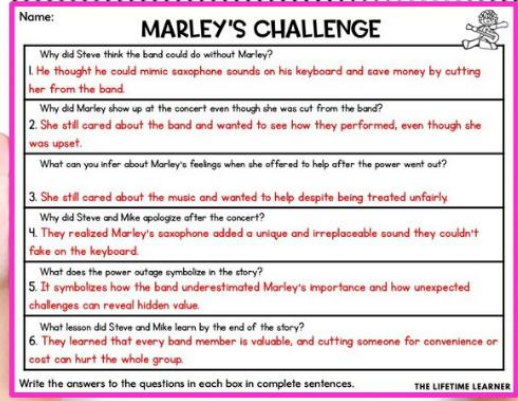
JASON'S CHALLENGE

Jason was in a stadium, greeted by a crowd. "Man, listen to them! This energy is amazing!" Jason thought. Jason gave them the best show ever!" Mick, the guitarist, asked. Jason nodded confidently. "We'll love our new song," Mariah, the pianist, added. "They will," Jason reassured her. "Our fans are the best." As the showtime approached, Jason felt his chest tighten. Suddenly—hic! Did you just hiccup?" Jack, the drummer, smirked. "Before the biggest show of the tour?" It's stress. It happens sometimes," Jason groaned. Hic! No worries," Mick said helpfully. "Try peanut butter." He handed Jason a spoonful, but... hic! Maybe drink water upside down?" Mariah suggested kindly. Jason tried but still... hic! Jack grinned mischievously. "I've got this!" He jumped out from behind a couch yelling, "BOO!" Jason blinked, unfazed. Hic! Defeated, Jason sighed. "Nothing's going to fix this." After a pause, Mariah spoke up. "What if... you don't sing? Mick and I can take vocals..." You'd cover for me?" Jason asked. Of course," Mick said. "We're a band. We stick together." The band hit the stage, and Mariah sang the first song, followed by Mick. Jack kept the beat, and Jason poured his heart into the guitar. The crowd roared louder than ever. By the final song, Jason realized the hiccups were gone. Grabbing the mic, he shouted, "Thanks for sticking with us! We couldn't do this without you... or each other."

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		Proof	B.
	Place 2 character traits and proof for each one from the story in these four boxes.	Trait	Trait
		Proof	A.
	Place 2 character traits and proof for each one from the story in these four boxes.	Trait	Encouraging
		Proof	D.

Hands-On Center:

Students sort each card onto the correct mat.



Name: _____

MARLEY'S CHALLENGE

Why did Steve think the band could do without Marley?

1. He thought he could mimic saxophone sounds on his keyboard and save money by cutting her from the band.

Why did Marley show up at the concert even though she was out from the band?

2. She still cared about the band and wanted to see how they performed, even though she was upset.

What can you infer about Marley's feelings when she offered to help after the power went out?

3. She still cared about the music and wanted to help despite being treated unfairly.

Why did Steve and Mike apologize after the concert?

4. They realized Marley's saxophone added a unique and irreplaceable sound they couldn't fake on the keyboard.

What does the power outage symbolize in the story?

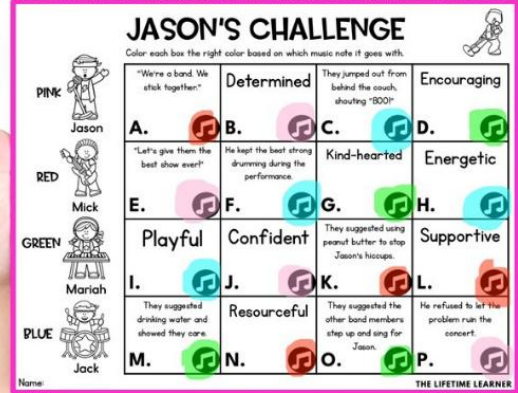
5. It symbolizes how the band underestimated Marley's importance and how unexpected challenges can reveal hidden values.

What lesson did Steve and Mike learn by the end of the story?

6. They learned that every band member is valuable, and cutting someone for convenience or cost can hurt the whole group.

Write the answers to the questions in each box in complete sentences.



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JASON'S CHALLENGE

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CENTER 9

Cut and Paste

SCARLET'S CHALLENGE

Scarlet sat in her room, making music out of thin air, with her electric guitar pulsing with power, striking a chord with anyone who heard it. The next night after she practiced tirelessly, she decided to form a band with her younger sister and the kid down the street. They practiced nonstop. Their sound grew stronger, and their confidence soared. After a few months together, they landed a gig at the summer festival. It felt like music to their ears the day they were told that they were booked. Friends and family gathered in the front row, buzzing with excitement for the big show. "Time to face the music," Scarlet's sister mumbled. "Break a leg!" Scarlet's mom called out with a wink. The band pulled out all the stops and crushed their performance. They cheered after every song. Just as they were about to leave the stage, for an encore. They happily played their best song, "Bouncing Baby Boy," that rocked the house. Scarlet heard a fan yell, "This band is hitting it out of the park!" That night, the band went home feeling like true rock stars, their hearts pounding to the beat of their amazing show.

CUT AND PASTE

Glue each phrase's meaning where it belongs below.

"Making music out of thin air"	"Striking a chord"	"Music to their ears"	"Time to face the music"
"Break a leg"	"Pull out all the stops"	"Rocked the house"	"Hitting it out of the park"

Hearing something very pleasing or exciting
 A way to wish someone good luck before a performance or big event
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Hands-On Center:

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CENTER 10

Fill in the Blank

CODY'S CHALLENGE

"You're a nobody!" Mark cried, directing harsh words at the poor quiet kid in the corner of the lunchroom. The kid, Cody, didn't even bother with a retort. "You're really weird," Mark's buddy added, and the two boys laughed. Cody slunk out of the lunchroom. He was used to the teasing by now. But it didn't make it any easier. He went home and retreated to his room and picked up his guitar. For 3 years, Cody had been teaching himself to play the guitar. By this point, he had gotten good at it. The next day at school, there was a poster up that announced the annual talent show. While he was staring at the sign, Mark and his friend came up. "You are a loser!" they shouted. "Who would ever want to see you in a talent show?" This time, something snapped inside Cody. He decided to sign up for the Rock Star school talent show with determination. He picked up the pen and signed his name. The talent show came, and Cody took his reliable guitar with him. "Oh, look at little Cody!" the boys mocked. But when he started playing, their mouths dropped open. The boy could shred. Cody had practiced so hard that the song came easily. Meanwhile, the crowd could not believe their ears. No one had expected this. At the end of his song, no one shouted, "Loser!" Instead, the crowd chanted his name. A small smile appeared on Cody's face as he took a bow.

WORD BANK:

Use the word bank to fill in the missing words from the passage.

- annual
- reliable
- determination
- harsh
- retort
- shred
- appeared
- retreated

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:

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- give less than 10 centers to students if you are short on time
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- use the hands-on centers during your room transformation and the no-prep printables as a review during your reading block

MARMIE'S CHALLENGE

One of the biggest shows Marmie and her band ever played was every guitarist's dream come true. They were booked to perform at the Spring Flower Show. Over the past few years, Marmie's band had gained quite a following. Fans traveled far away to hear them play. Marmie was known for her powerhouse vocals and electrifying guitar solos. She was the heart of the band's sound. Everything was going perfectly until one unexpected misstep caused disaster. While performing, Marmie slipped across the stage, lost her footing, and tripped over a cord. She fell hard and landed on her wrist at an awkward angle. Pain shot through her arm as it swelled up. As she was helped offstage, the fans chanted her name. Unfortunately, it seemed the concert was doomed to end early. Then, a timid young man approached the stage and whispered to the drummer. The young man, Cole, turned out to be the band's biggest fan. He knew every chord, lyric, and guitar solo from their setlist by heart. With no other options, the band gave him a chance. Cole took a deep breath and began. The first notes that rang out were magic. Cole played with passion and precision. The crowd erupted with cheers. What could've been the worst night became legendary. Marmie and her band were so impressed they invited Cole to play with them at future shows. She was grateful Cole had been willing to step up and help out.

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#1 What qualities made Marmie the "heart" of the band's sound? **D.** Her powerhouse vocals and electrifying guitar solos.

#2 Why did the band allow Cole to play during the concert? **J.** They had no other options, and Cole knew every chord, lyric, and solo from their setlist.

#3 What risks did the band take by letting Cole perform? **H.** They would disappoint the crowd if Cole couldn't play well or if the performance failed.

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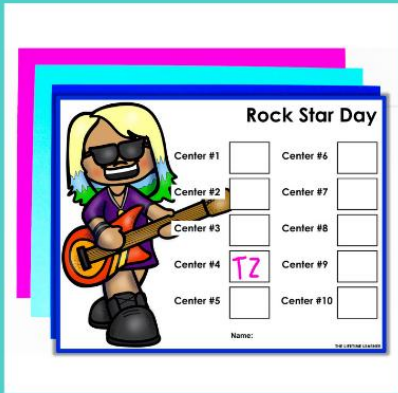
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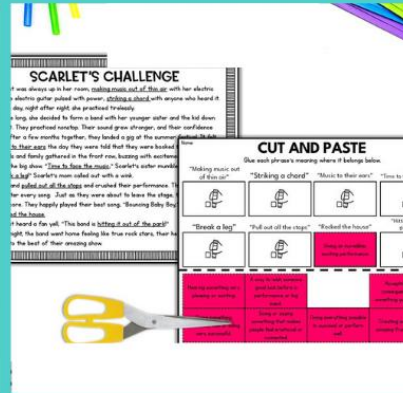
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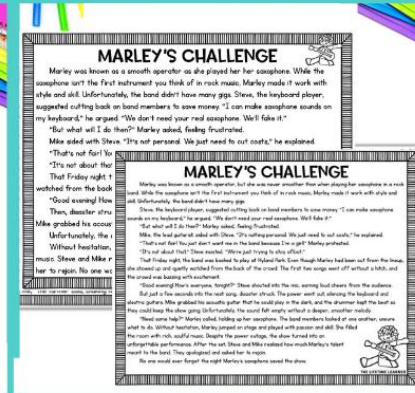
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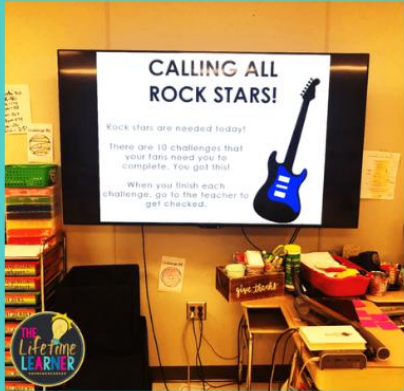
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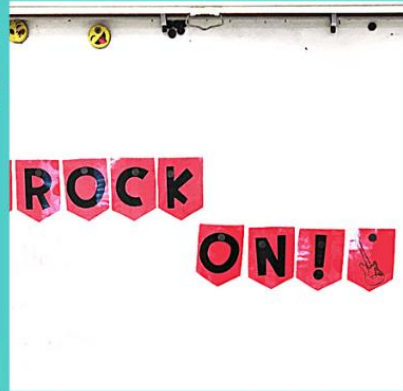
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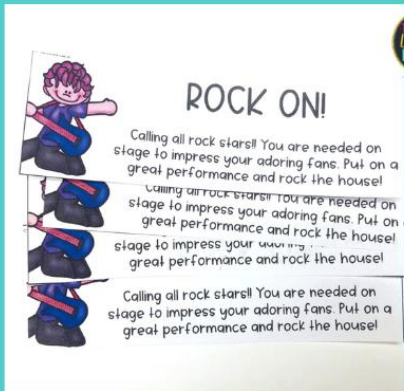
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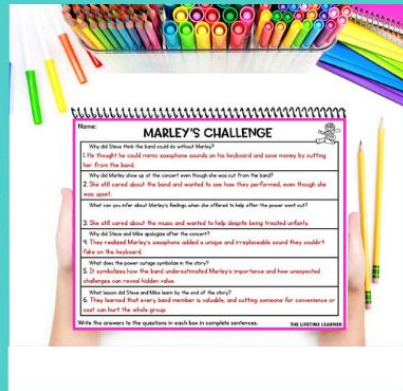
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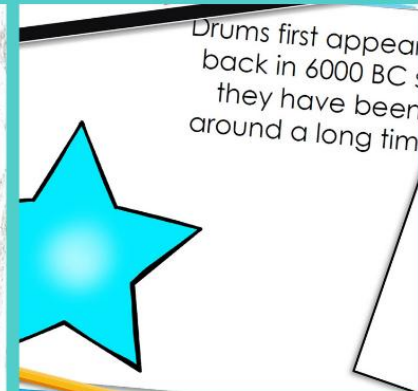
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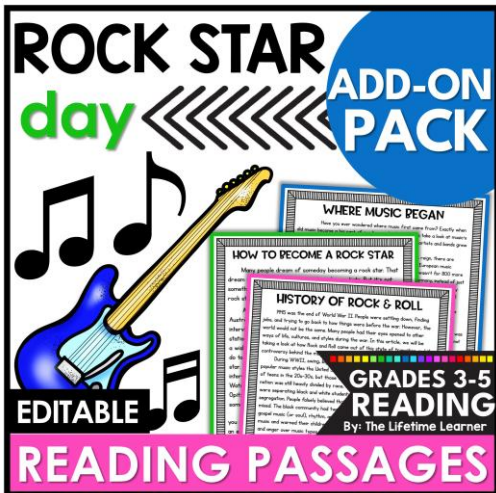
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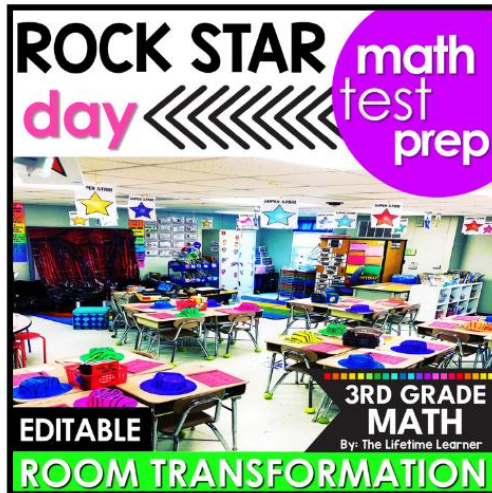


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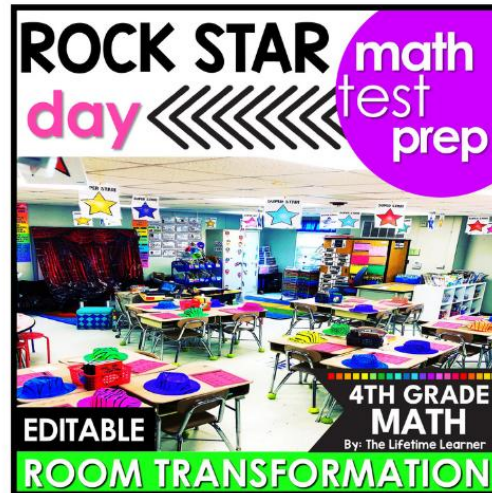
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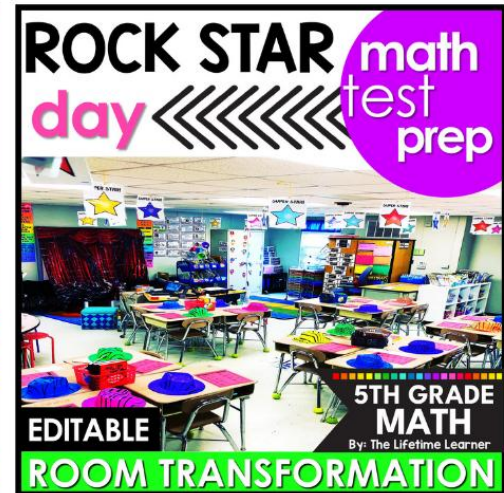
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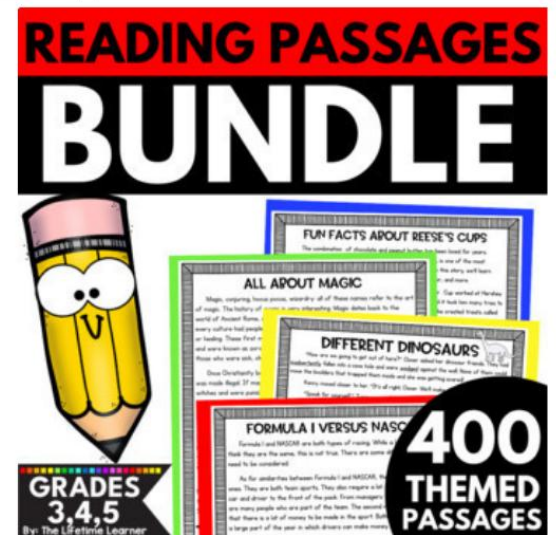
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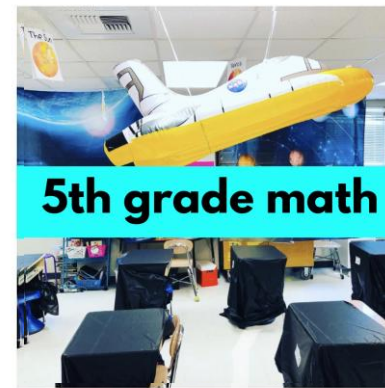
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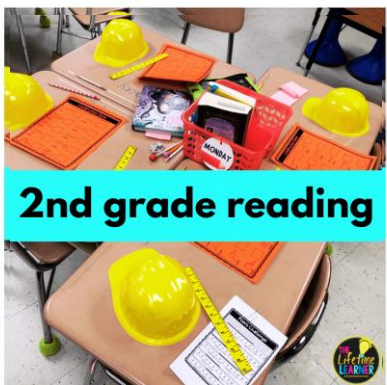
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