

WHAT IS THIS?



Clue #1: Fill in the Blank

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Clue #4: The Haunted House

Cross out the boxes if this is true:

- 3 candies in the house
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- 1 candy in the house

Clue #5: Picture Decoder

Find each answer. Then, draw a line to each match. Last, use the decoder at the bottom to solve the clue.

10	8	4	2	6	9	3	7	5
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Answers: **19, 17, 12, 10, 8, 7, 9, 4, 10**

Letters: **C H O C O L A T E**

The culprit doesn't like: **W**

Use this decoder to help you figure out what letter is equal to each picture.

A = 🍫	G = 🎃	M = 🎃	S = 🎃	Y = 🎃
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C = 🎃	I = 🎃	O = 🎃	U = 🎃	
D = 🎃	J = 🎃	P = 🎃	V = 🎃	
E = 🎃	K = 🎃	Q = 🎃	W = 🎃	
F = 🎃	L = 🎃	R = 🎃	X = 🎃	



solve the mystery



THE LIFETIME LEARNER

The Case of the Missing Candy



Who Stole the Candy?

As you solve each clue, cross out the suspects who did not take the candy. The suspect left at the end is the culprit!

Witch I like green candy.	Ghost I like marshmallow.	Vampire I like red candy.	Monster I don't like candy.
Spooky Bones I like candy corn.	Frankenstein I like green candy.	Mummy I like chocolate candy.	Pumpkin Head I like chocolate candy.

Name: _____

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Students complete a series of clues to figure out who took the missing candy!

HOW TO PLAY



What Happened?

Oh no! You put down your trick-or-treat bag for a second and someone took it. It's your job to figure out who took the Halloween candy. Solve the clues to figure out the mystery!

1. Take a suspect list and then start solving each clue.
2. Each time you solve a clue, you will get closer to discovering who the culprit (thief) is!
3. Cross out wrong suspects each time you find out new information. Good luck!



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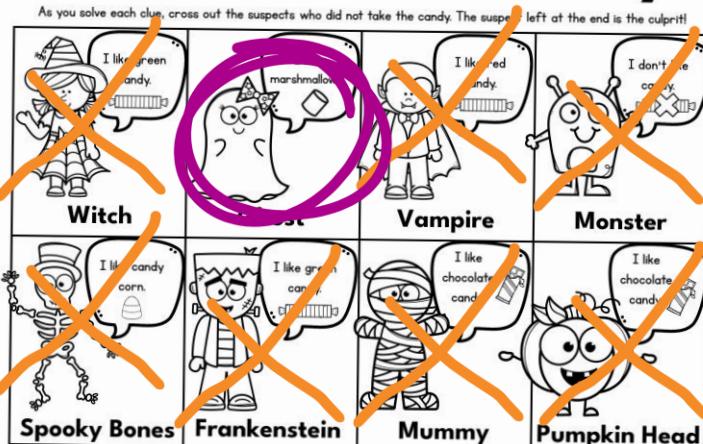
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64,65,	Answer: 67	Word: whoever	120,119,	Answer: 117	Word: candy	72,71,	Answer: 69	Word: Woring
66, __			118, __			70, __		
43,42,	40	took	27,28,	30	is	55,56,	58	a
41, __			29, __			57, __		
93,94,	96	the	111,112,	114	not	90,89,	87	hat
95, __			113, __			88, __		

Solve each problem. Write the answer. Then, write the word that goes with it. When you are done, read the words in order from top to bottom in each row to figure out the clue.

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Who Stole the Candy?



Name: _____

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Each time students solve a clue, it will reveal what suspect to cross out.

When all clues are completed, the mystery of the missing candy will be solved!

SKILL PRACTICE

Clue #1: Fill in the Blank

Color the candies the same color as the bag they belong in. Tally up how many of each candy you find in each box.

Clue #2: Right or Wrong?

In each box, color a thumbs up or a thumbs down to show if the answer is correct.

Clue #3: Halloween Sort

Cross out the mummy if this is true:

- 2 candies in Bag 5
- 3 candies in Bag 6
- 1 candy in Bag 7
- 3 candies in Bag 8

- Counting to 120
- Relate Counting to Add/Subtract
- Add to 20
- Subtract to 20
- Subtraction as Unknown Addends
- Halloween-Themed
- Error Analysis Practice

All clues focus on reviewing 1st grade math skills!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



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Answer: 5

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Answer: 6

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Answer: 7

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Answer: 8

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Answer: 1

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- 5
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Short & Long Options

Print & Digital Forms

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60	likes	69	wearing	59	red
40	took	80	marshmallow	55	eyes
				44	candy
73	bow	73	green	117	candy
67	whoever	87	hat	114	not
86	monster	44	candy	114	not

Tell what number comes next. Some count up. Some count down.

64,65, 66, <u>67</u>	Answer: 67 Word: <i>whatever</i>	120,119, 118, <u>117</u>	Answer: 117 Word: <i>candy</i>	72,71, 70, <u>70</u>
43,42, 41, <u>40</u>	Answer: 40 Word: <i>took</i>	27,28, 29, <u>30</u>	Answer: 30 Word: <i>is</i>	55,56 57, <u>57</u>
93,94, 95, <u>96</u>	Answer: 96 Word: <i>the</i>	111,112, 113, <u>114</u>	Answer: 114 Word: <i>not</i>	90,89 88, <u>88</u>

Solve each problem. Write the answer. Then, write the word that goes with it. When you words in order from top to bottom in each row to figure out the clue.

Clue

30 is
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69 wearing
80 marshmallow
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59 red
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Tell who

Answer: *the monster who ever wears a green bow on their head and likes to take marshmallows.*

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MATH FACT VERSION!

Who Stole the Candy?

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Witch	Ghost	Vampire	Monster
Spooky Bones	Frankenstein	Mummy	Pumpkin Head

I like green candy. I like marshmallow. I like red candy. I don't like candy. I like candy corn. I like green candy. I like chocolate candy. I like chocolate candy.

Name: _____

Clue #1: Fill in the Blank

16 is	7 eyes	9 the	15 green	2 bow	8
13 likes	17 wearing	19 red	12 hot	14 whoever	5
11 took	20 marshmallow	3 eyes	4 candy	18 monster	6

Answer: Word: 12-7= Answer: Word: 19-2=

19-5= 20-4= 14-6= 18-9=

Solve each problem. Write the words in order from top to bottom.

Clue #2: Right or Wrong?

2+2	3+4	6+3
4	6	8
9+5	1+2	13+7
15	3	20
5+4	15+2	4+2
9	11	12

Clue #3: Halloween Sort

Figure out each answer. Color the candies the same color as the bag they belong in. Tally up how many of each candy you find in each box.

5	6	7	8
11 - 5	13 - 6	10 - 4	15 - 7
12 - 4	14 - 7	17 - 9	8 - 3

Now, find the correct key to solve the clue.

Is this true:
Cross out the witch
Cross out Frankensteins
Cross out the monster
Cross out the mummy

Clue #4: The Haunted House

First, write the answer in each box on the haunted house. Then, read what to do in the box at the bottom.

3+9	5+4	8+8			
G	B	R	L	U	E
4+8	7+6	10+8	12+3	7+3	14+5
P	E	I	N	D	K

Cross out the boxes with the following answers:
19, 17, 14, 18, 9, 11, 10
The letters that are left will reveal a message: _____

The culprit does not like candy that is: _____

Clue #5: Picture Decoder

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7	14	18	15	12	9	13	16	10
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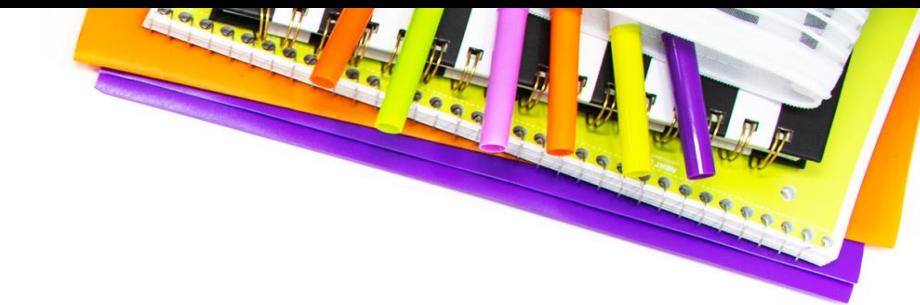
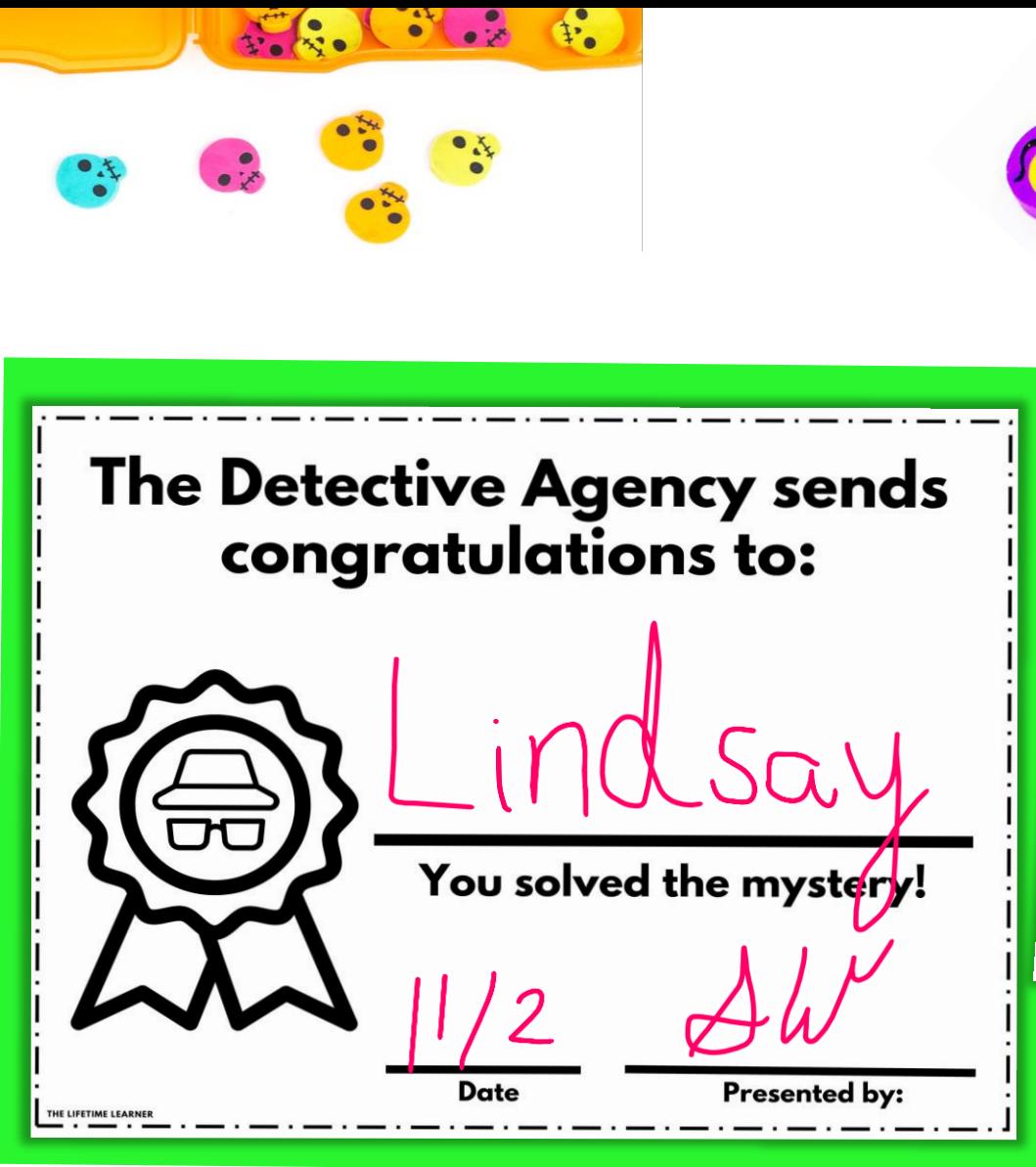
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Same clues. Same mystery. Different math!

There is an extra version included that focuses on addition and subtraction facts to 20.

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY

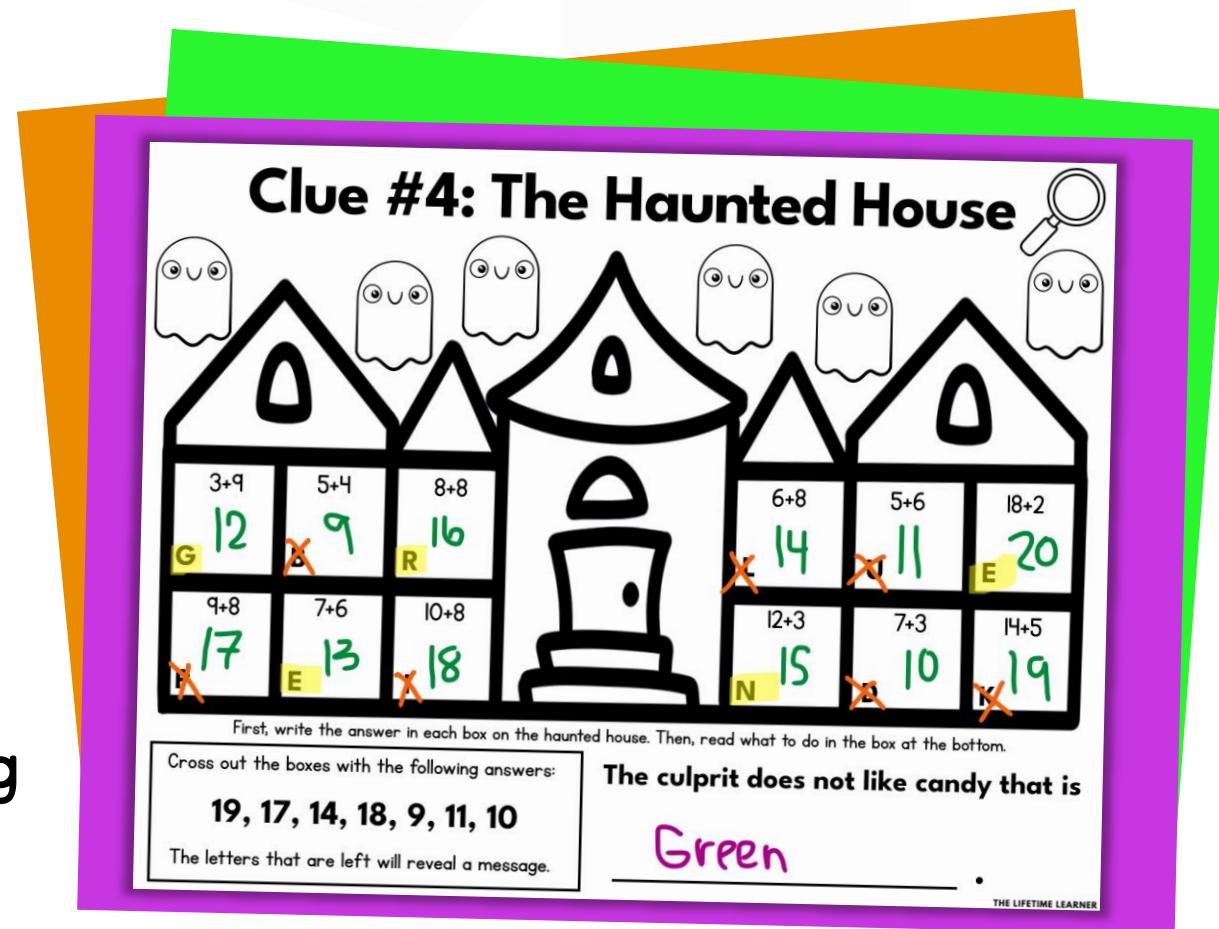


If students finish early, give them a certificate of completion and a directed drawing to complete while others continue working.

MATH MYSTERY BENEFITS



- No Prep
- Print and Digital Versions
- 3 & 5 Clue Options
- Extra Math Facts Mystery
- Fun and Engaging
- Easy to Differentiate
- Encourages Critical Thinking
- Aligns with Math Standards
- Perfect for Review Days



In 1st grade, this works well as a whole group lesson or in small groups at the teacher table.

First graders will need teacher support to read & understand the clues/directions

WHY TEACHERS LOVE THESE!

Ordinary math worksheets can be boring and unoriginal.

You want activities that are fun and engaging, but also rigorous and meaningful to student learning.

MATH MYSTERIES ARE EXACTLY WHAT YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR!

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E = 	K = 	P = 	Q = 	W = 
F =	L =	R =	X =	

The Detective Agency sends congratulations to:

Lindsay
You solved the mystery!
11/2 SW
Date Presented by:

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Name: 

LET'S DRAW...
a witch hat
1 
2 
3 
4 
5 
6 
Color It!

LET'S DRAW...
a spider
1 
2 
3 
4 
5 
6 
Color It!

solve the mystery


The Case of the Missing Candy

WHAT MAKES MATH MYSTERIES UNIQUE?

Math Mysteries aren't just a copy of Reading Mysteries!

They have brand-new clues, focus on math skills, and even feature a different conclusion to the mystery.

The only thing that stays the same is the list of suspects students start with!

So, if you have both, students can play during math and then again during reading for double the fun.



Reading

Example of Clue 1

Clue #1: Find It!

Circle the boxes that have a middle sound of "a".
Read the words you circled from left to right like a book to solve the clue.

bat	the	fog	red	rag	thief	hop	big

Write the phrase on the line. Cross the wrong suspect off your list.

THE THIEF HAS A SMILE

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Math

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KEEP THE FUN GOING!

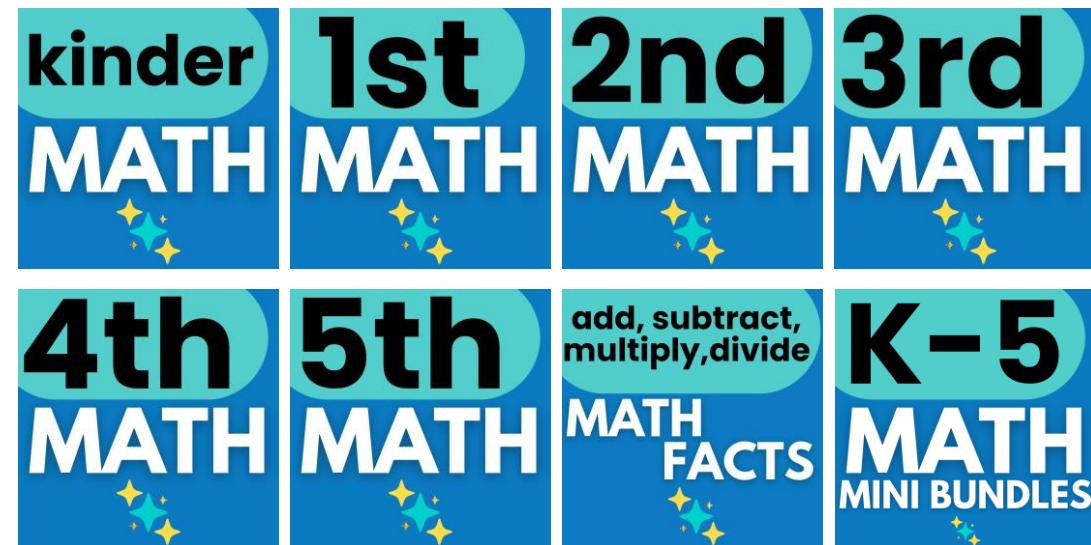
GRAB A READING MYSTERY:

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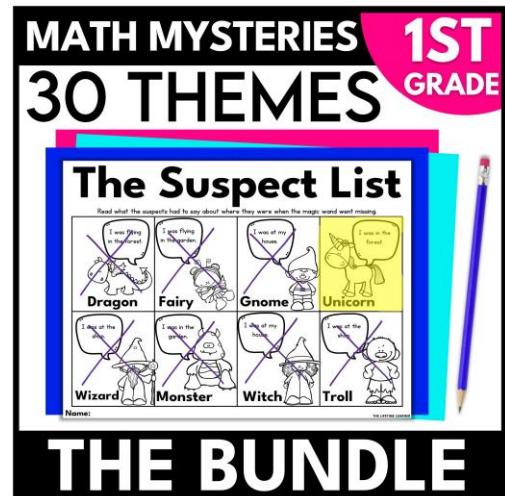


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