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





















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solve the mystery







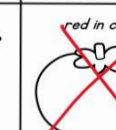
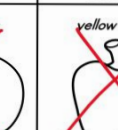


The Case of the Garden Thief

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

What Was Eaten?

Figure out what food was eaten out of the garden by solving each clue.

 purple in color Onion	 green in color Broccoli	 green in color Lettuce	 red in color Radish
 yellow in color Corn	 green in color Peas	 red in color Tomato	 yellow in color Pepper

Name: _____

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Students complete a series of clues to figure out what food was stolen from the garden!

HOW TO PLAY



What Happened?

Every day, a deer comes to eat the food in your garden. You want to discover out which type of food the deer likes best so you can stop the deer from coming back. Solve the clues to figure out which food the deer keeps eating from your garden.

1. Take a list of food and start solving each clue.
2. Each time you solve a clue, you will get closer to discovering which food was eaten.
3. Cross out wrong foods each time you find out new information. Good luck!



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Cross out the radish if there are:

- 2 pink water cans
- 3 purple water cans
- 2 green water cans
- 3 blue water cans

Cross out the tomato if there are:

- 2 pink water cans
- 2 purple water cans
- 3 green water cans
- 3 blue water cans

Cross out the peas if there are:

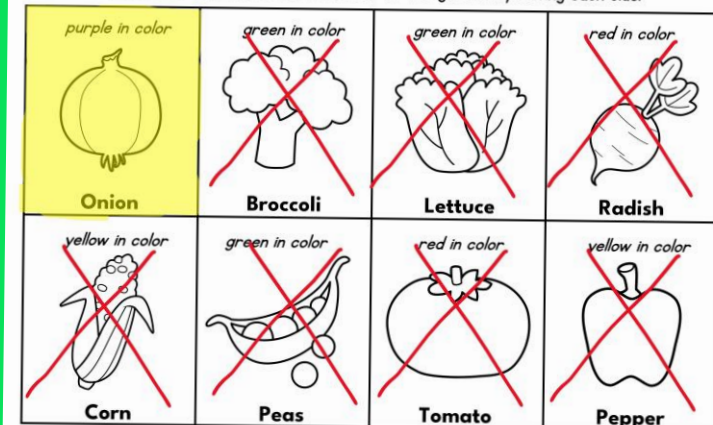
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Cross out the broccoli if there are:

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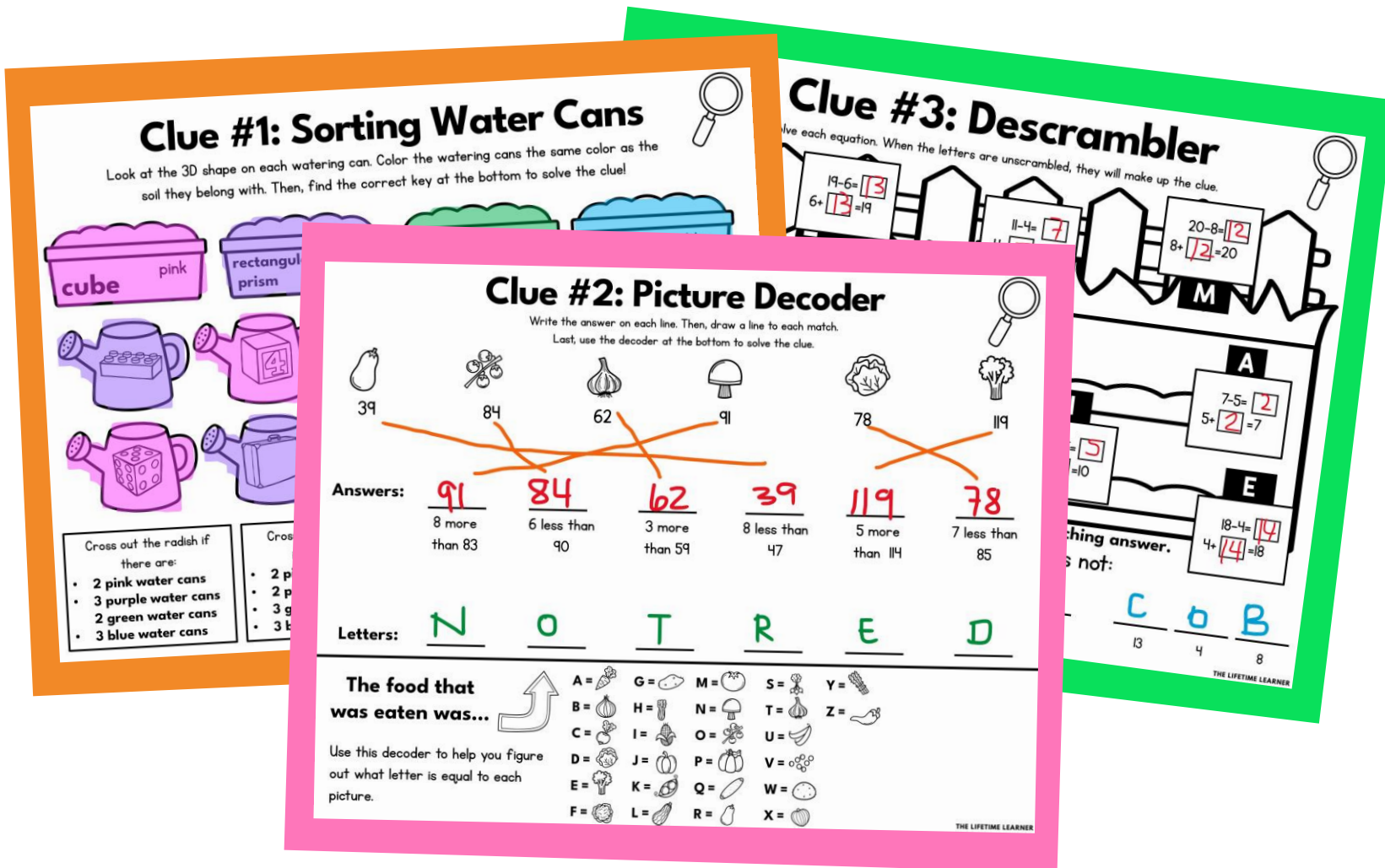


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Each time students solve a clue, it will reveal what vegetables to cross out. When all clues are completed, the mystery of the garden thief will be solved!

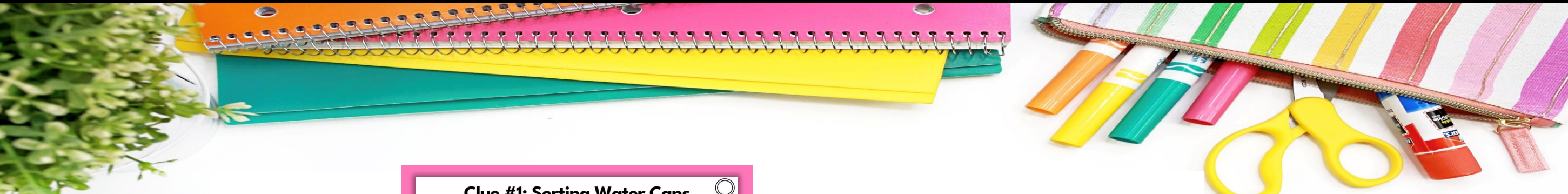
SKILL PRACTICE



- 3D Shapes
- Counting on to Add & Subtract
- Unknown Addends
- Compare 3 Object Lengths
- Compare Numbers to 120
- Spring-Themed
- Error Analysis Practice

All clues focus on reviewing 1st grade math skills!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



Print & Digital Forms

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3 Clue Version

Place the correct letter on top of each matching answer.
The food that was eaten does not:

C O M E N A C o B

6 7 12 14 10 5 2 13 4 8

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5 Clue Version

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Answers: $\frac{12}{20-8}$ $\frac{8}{14-6}$ $\frac{3}{6-3}$ $\frac{9}{17-8}$ $\frac{6}{10-4}$ $\frac{11}{16-5}$

Letters: N O T R

The food that was eaten was...

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

A =	G =	M =	S =
B =	H =	N =	T =
C =	I =	O =	U =
D =	J =	P =	V =
E =	K =	Q =	W =
F =	L =	R =	X =

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Answers: $\frac{91}{8 \text{ more than } 83}$ $\frac{6}{6 \text{ less than } 90}$ $\frac{3}{3 \text{ more than } 59}$ $\frac{8}{8 \text{ less than } 47}$ $\frac{5}{5 \text{ more than } 114}$ $\frac{7}{7 \text{ less than } 85}$

Letters: N

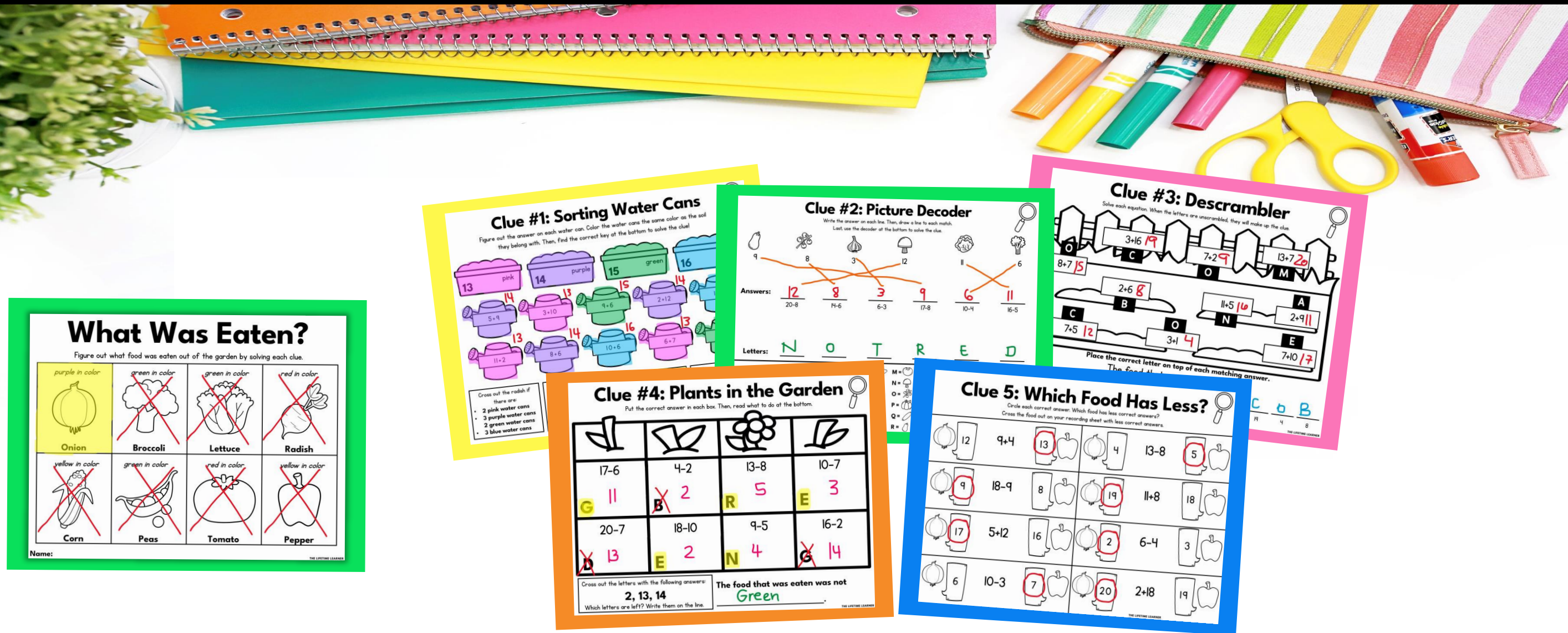
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Short & Long Options

MATH FACT VERSION!



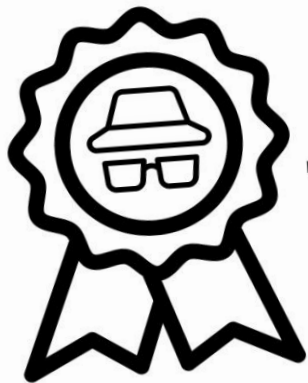
Same clues. Same mystery. Different math!

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

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



The Detective Agency sends
congratulations to:



Lindsay

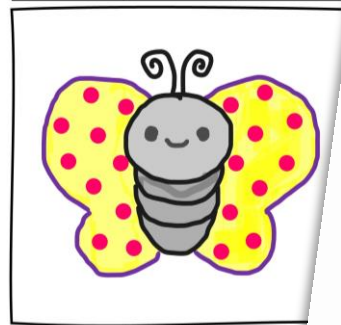
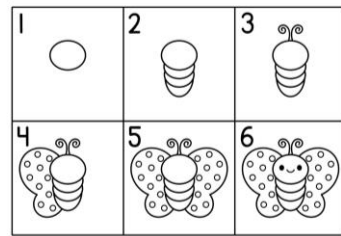
You solved the mystery!

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Date

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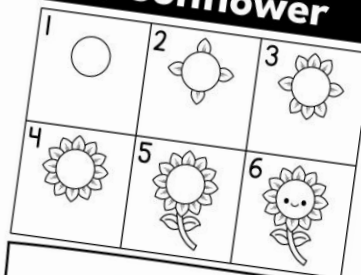
a butterfly



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LET'S DRAW...

a sunflower




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



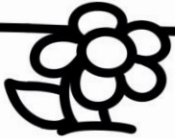

























MATH MYSTERY BENEFITS



- 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

Clue #4: Plants in the Garden 

Put the correct answer in each box. Then, read what to do at the bottom.

			
 #1  #2  #3 G 2 Which is the shortest?	 #4  #5  #6 B 4 Which is the tallest?	 #7  #8  #9 R 9 Which is the longest?	 #10  #11  #12 E 10 Which is the shortest?
 #13  #14  #15 D 14 Which is the tallest?	 #16  #17  #18 E 16 Which is the shortest?	 #19  #20  #21 N 20 Which is the tallest?	 #22  #23  #24 C 23 Which is the longest?

Cross out the letters with the following answers:
4, 14, 23
Which letters are left? Write them on the line.

The food that was eaten was not Green.

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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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 17	5+12	<input type="checkbox"/> 16		 2	6-4	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
 6	10-3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7		 20	2+8	<input type="checkbox"/> 19	

The Detective Agency sends congratulations to:

 **Lindsay**
You solved the mystery!

11/2 **SW**
Date Presented by:

LET'S DRAW... a butterfly

1  2  3 
4  5  6 



LET'S DRAW... a sunflower

1  2  3 
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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

Clue #1: Multiple Choice
Tell what sound each picture shows. Circle the right answer. Then read the bottom.

 A. soft C B. hard C	 A. soft C B. hard C C. soft G D. hard G	 A. soft C B. hard C C. soft G D. hard G	 A. soft C B. hard C C. soft G D. hard G	 A. soft C B. hard C C. soft G D. hard G
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Circle how many you chose in each box below. Then, read the phrase to know what to cross out.

How many As did you circle? 1 A = comes 2 As = does 3 As = does not 4 As = grows	How many Bs did you circle? 1 B = red 2 Bs = green 3 Bs = look 4 Bs = yellow	How many Cs did you circle? 1 C = pod 2 Cs = like 3 Cs = round 4 Cs = purple	How many Ds did you circle? 1 D = small 2 Ds = tree 3 Ds = leaf 4 Ds = stem
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Example
of Clue 1

Math

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 pink	 purple	 green	 blue
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Below the cans are 10 watering cans with different 3D shapes on them. Below the cans are four boxes with instructions to cross out the correct number of cans for each color.

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KEEP THE FUN GOING!

GRAB A **READING MYSTERY**:

Reading mysteries aren't just a copy of math. They come with fresh clues, unique reading challenges, and a new culprit, so students are solving an entirely different case!



MORE **MATH MYSTERIES**:

Explore other grade levels to differentiate and keep every student engaged.



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TO **SAVE BIG!**

