

WHAT IS THIS?



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solve the mystery

The Case of the Missing Luggage

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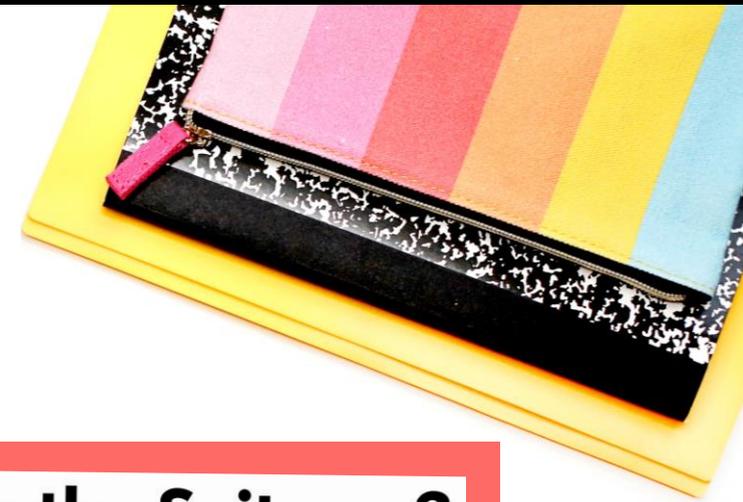
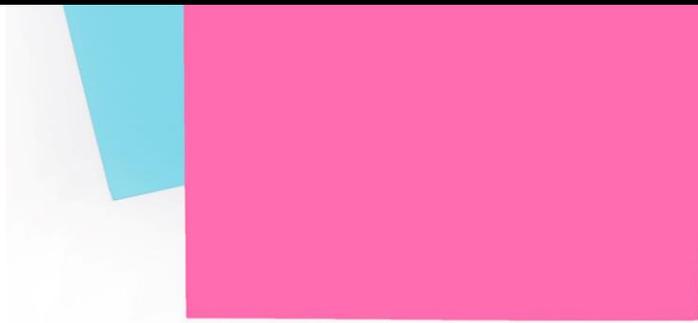
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Students complete a series of clues to figure out where the missing suitcase is!

HOW TO PLAY



What Happened?

You were so excited to be on vacation that you accidentally left your suitcase somewhere! Now, you have no idea where it is. Solve the clues to figure out which country your suitcase is in.

1. Take a list of countries and then start solving each clue.
2. Each time you solve a clue, you will get closer to discovering where your suitcase is.
3. Cross out wrong countries each time you find out new information. Good luck!



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$\frac{3}{8}$ wasn't	$\frac{4}{34}$ pizza	$\frac{7}{15}$ when	$\frac{5}{20}$ am	$\frac{2}{5}$ animal	$\frac{10}{18}$ with
$\frac{8}{15}$ music	$\frac{7}{18}$ lost	$\frac{9}{44}$ food	$\frac{4}{21}$ deer	$\frac{5}{21}$ eating	$\frac{4}{25}$ building

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

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

SKILL PRACTICE

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

Clue #2: Picture Decoder

Match up each expression with the correct repeated addition sentence. Then, draw a line to each match. Last, use the decoder at the bottom to solve the clue.

						
$\frac{4}{6} + \frac{4}{6} + \frac{4}{6}$	$\frac{5}{6} + \frac{5}{6}$	$\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{5}{6} + \frac{5}{6}$	$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{4}{6} + \frac{4}{6}$	$\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4}$
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Answers: $\frac{5}{6} \times 2$ $\frac{3}{4} \times 5$ $\frac{4}{6} \times 6$ $\frac{1}{5} \times 4$ $\frac{4}{6} \times 2$ $\frac{3}{4} \times 3$ $\frac{5}{6} \times 4$

Letters: A N I M A L S

The suitcase isn't around any...



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

Clue #3: The Airplane

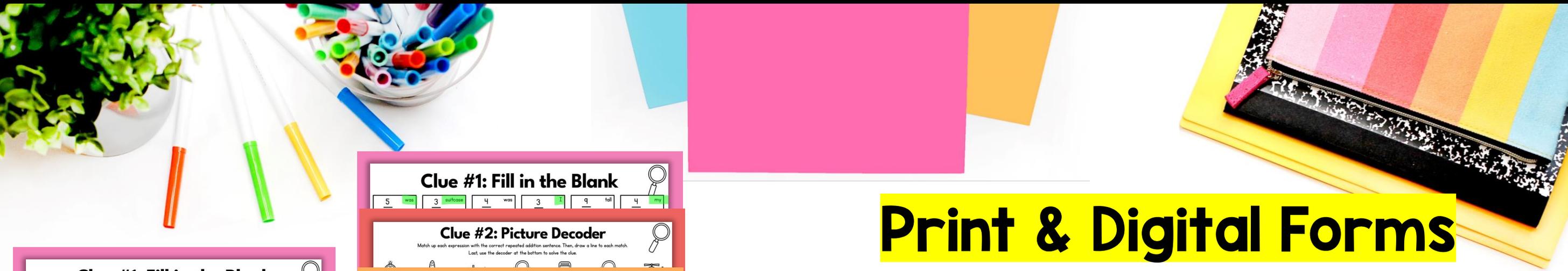
Put the correct answer in each box. Then, read what to do at the bottom.

$\frac{2}{6} \times 5$	$\frac{5}{6} \times 3$
$\frac{2}{6} \times 5$	$\frac{5}{6} \times 3$
$\frac{2}{6} \times 5$	$\frac{5}{6} \times 3$

- Multiply Fractions by Fractions
- Using Pictures
- Using Models
- Travel-Themed
- Error Analysis Practice

All clues focus on reviewing multiplying fractions!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



Print & Digital Forms

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3 Clue Version

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

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Cross out the letters with the following answers:
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The suitcase is in a place...
4/11: with 5 letters 5/12: with 7 letters
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Which answer did you get most often?
Use that answer to figure out the final clue in the key!

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Short & Long Options

2 MATH FACT OPTIONS!



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Name: _____

Clue #1: Fill in the Blank

9	5	10	12	16	15
was	suitcase	was	1	full	
19	14	6	17	2	8
music	pizza	when	am	animal	
3	20	11	4	13	1
	last	food	deer	eating	

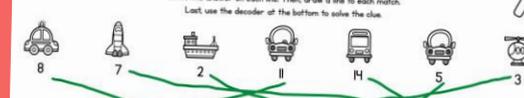
Answer: Word: 14+1 = 5

Answer: Word: 5+1 = 6 when

Answer: Word: 6+3 = 9

Clue #2: Picture Decoder

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



Answers: 11, 3, 8, 2, 5, 14, 7

Letters: A N I M A L S

Clue #3: The Airplane

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

4+9	10+9	5+6	2+7
M 13	X 19	U 11	S 9
3+3	8+2	1+4	9+9
L 6	X 10	X 5	C 18

Clue 4: Color the Planes

Solve each problem in the boxes. Color the airplanes based on your answers.

Which answer choice is not a way to get a quotient of 4?	Which answer choice is a way to get a quotient of 4?	Which answer choice is not a way to get a quotient of 3?	Which answer choice is a way to get a quotient of 7?
A. 24 ÷ 6 color plane red B. 48 ÷ 10 color plane blue C. 28 ÷ 7 color plane green D. 36 ÷ 9 color plane yellow	A. 72 ÷ 9 color plane red B. 54 ÷ 6 color plane blue C. 63 ÷ 8 color plane green D. 80 ÷ 10 color plane yellow	A. 15 ÷ 5 color plane red B. 30 ÷ 10 color plane blue C. 21 ÷ 7 color plane green D. 18 ÷ 9 color plane yellow	A. 42 ÷ 6 color plane red B. 40 ÷ 5 color plane blue C. 56 ÷ 7 color plane green D. 35 ÷ 8 color plane yellow

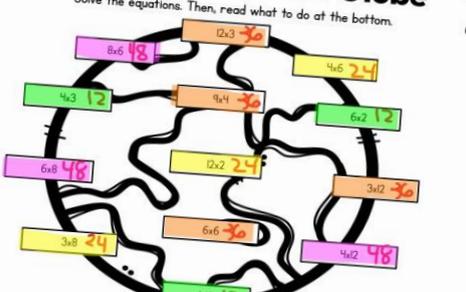
What color planes do you see? Find the key that matches for your next hint!

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The suitcase is not near any trees.
The suitcase is not near any famous buildings.
The suitcase is somewhere near a tree.
The suitcase is near a famous building.

Clue #5: Travel the Globe

Solve the equations. Then, read what to do at the bottom.



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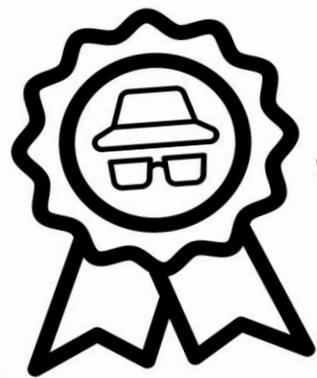
Same clues. Same mystery. Different math!

Use the add/subtract facts to 20 mystery or the multiplication/division facts 1-12 mystery!

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



The Detective Agency sends
congratulations to:



Lindsay

You solved the mystery!

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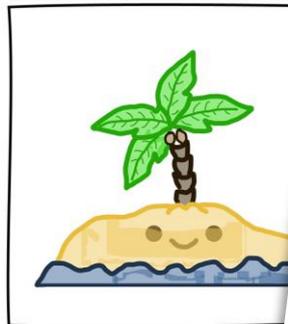
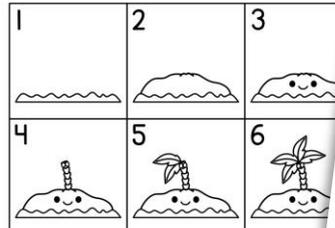
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an island



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If students finish early,
give them a
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and a directed drawing
to complete while others
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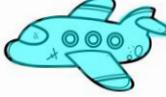
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- Easy to Differentiate
- Encourages Critical Thinking
- Aligns with Math Standards
- Perfect for Review Days

Clue 4: Color the Planes

Solve each problem in the boxes. Color the airplanes based on your answers.

<p>You eat $\frac{3}{4}$ of a can of beans each day. How many cans of beans will you eat in 9 days?</p>	<p>Your water bottle can hold $\frac{4}{5}$ of water. If you fill up the water bottle 7 times, how much water have you used?</p>	<p>Maria, Logan, and Naomi each drank $\frac{2}{3}$ of a cup of milk. How much milk did they drink in all?</p>	<p>Each kid gets a bag of food that weighs $\frac{6}{8}$ of a pound. If there are 5 kids, how much does their food weigh altogether?</p>
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In 5th grade, this works well in small groups or in partners.

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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9	train	car	2	11	7	20
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How many items did you	What day had the least	How many items did you	How many fewer items
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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: Find It!

Circle the boxes that have adjectives that describe traveling.
Read the words you circled from left to right like a book to solve the clue.

can	not	eat	food
exciting	lumpy	pointy	
sing	you	eat	noisy
sticky	adventurous		
play	pretzels	antlers	tusks
purple	crowded	furry	ten

Write the phrase on the line. Cross the wrong places off your list.
not where you eat pretzels

Example of Clue 1

Math

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Answer: $\frac{3}{25}$	Word: I	Answer: $\frac{9}{44}$	Word: food	Answer: $\frac{3}{5}$	Word: suitcase
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KEEP THE FUN GOING!

GRAB A **READING MYSTERY**:

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