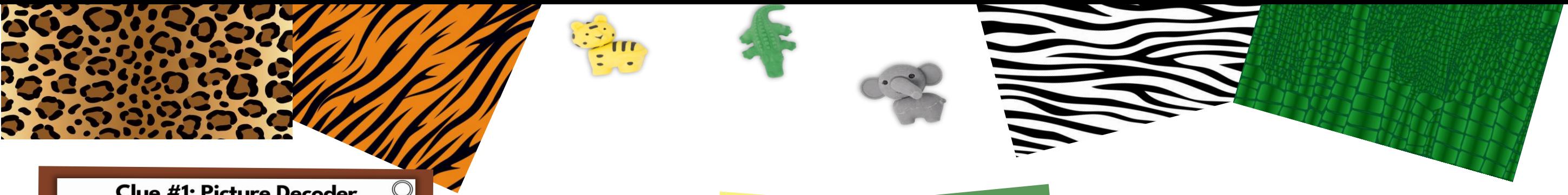


WHAT IS THIS?



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solve the mystery

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

The Case of the Safari Adventure

Where is the Safari Group?

Solve the clues to figure out where the safari group is currently located.

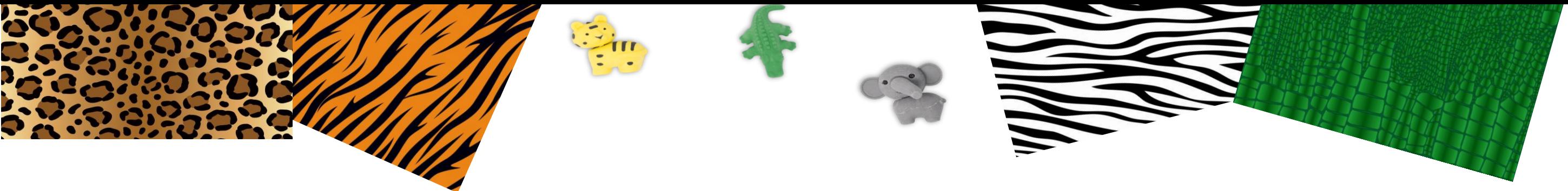
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I have brown spots. Giraffe	I have yellow fur. Lion	I have brown fur. Chimp	I have black stripes. Zebra

Name: _____

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Students complete a series of clues to figure out where the safari group is!

HOW TO PLAY



What Happened?

On the day of your safari, you woke up to find your safari group missing! You need to figure out which animal they are with. Help figure out where your safari group is by solving clues and finding the right animal.

1. Take a list of safari animals and then start solving each clue.
2. Each time you solve a clue, you will get closer to discovering which animal your safari group is with.
3. Cross out wrong animals each time you find out new information. Good luck!



THE LIFETIME LEARNER



Clue #1: 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: 26 59 81 36 94 17 66

Letters: S T R I P E S

The animal your group is with has no:

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

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 =	

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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Meerkat	Tiger	Crocodile	Elephant
 I have brown spots.	 I have yellow fur.	 I have brown fur.	 I have black stripes.
Giraffe	Lion	Chimp	Zebra

Name:

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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

SKILL PRACTICE

Clue #1: 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: 26 59
Letters: S T
The animal your group is with has no: U
Use this decoder to help you figure out what letter is equal to each picture.

Clue #2: Error Analysis
Check each animal's work. Put a check or an X next to each answer.

Animal	Answers
Giraffe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 86, 85, 84, <u>83</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>69</u> , 68, 67, <u>65</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>23</u> , 22, 21, <u>20</u>
Monkey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>15</u> , 14, 13, <u>12</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>39</u> , 38, 37, <u>36</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>46</u> , 45, 44, <u>43</u>
Elephant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 78, 77, 76, <u>57</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>53</u> , 52, 51, <u>49</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>92</u> , 91, 90, <u>99</u>

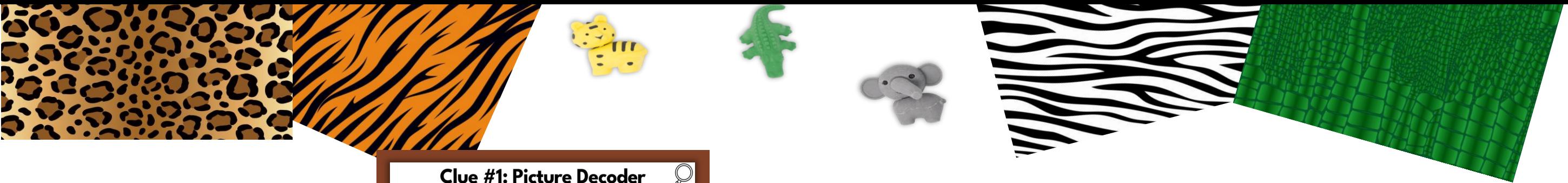
Clue #3: Find It!
Solve each question. Circle the boxes that are true. Read the words you circled from left to right like a book to solve the clue.

crocodile
25, 26, 27, 26
elephant
46, 43
animal
68, 69, 70, 71
true
tail
3, 95
fur
1, 2, 3, 5
false
brown
35
chimp
78, 79, 70, 71
false

- Count to 100
- Counting Up
- Counting Down
- Counting by Ones
- Safari-Themed
- Error Analysis Practice

All clues focus on reviewing Kindergarten skills!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



Clue #1: Picture Decoder

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Clue #2: Error Analysis

Check each animal's work. Put a check or an X next to each answer.

Clue #3: Find It!

Solve each question. Circle the boxes that are true.

Read the words you circled from left to right like a book to solve the clue.

56, 57, 58, 59
true
crocodile

25, 26, 27, 26
false
elephant

44, 45, 46, 43
false
animal

68, 69, 70, 71
true
fur

giraffe
false
5, 17, 18, 19, 20
false
97, 98, 99, 100
true
chimpanzee
true

3 Clue Version

The animal is not brown

Clue #1: Picture Decoder

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Clue #4: The Safari Jeep

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

Clue #5: Fill in the Blank

89	animal	97	group	70	green	58	not	90	tall	57	is
24	mammal	65	is	43	an	22	the	54	yellow	66	whiskers
80	wild	20, 21	with	41	an	33	the	55	spots	33	Word:
20, 21	Answer:	22	with	41	an	33	the	55	spots	33	Word:
95, 96	97	20, 21	with	41	an	33	the	55	spots	33	Word:
55, 56	57	is	87, 88	89	animal	49, 50	51	gray			

5 Clue Version

Short & Long Options

Print & Digital Forms

Clue #2: Error Analysis

Check each animal's work. Put a check or an X next to each answer.



86, 85, 84, 83

69, 68, 67, 65

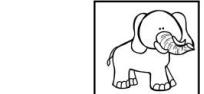
23, 22, 21, 20



15, 14, 13, 12

39, 38, 37, 36

46, 45, 44, 43



78, 77, 76, 57

53, 52, 51, 49

23, 22, 21, 20

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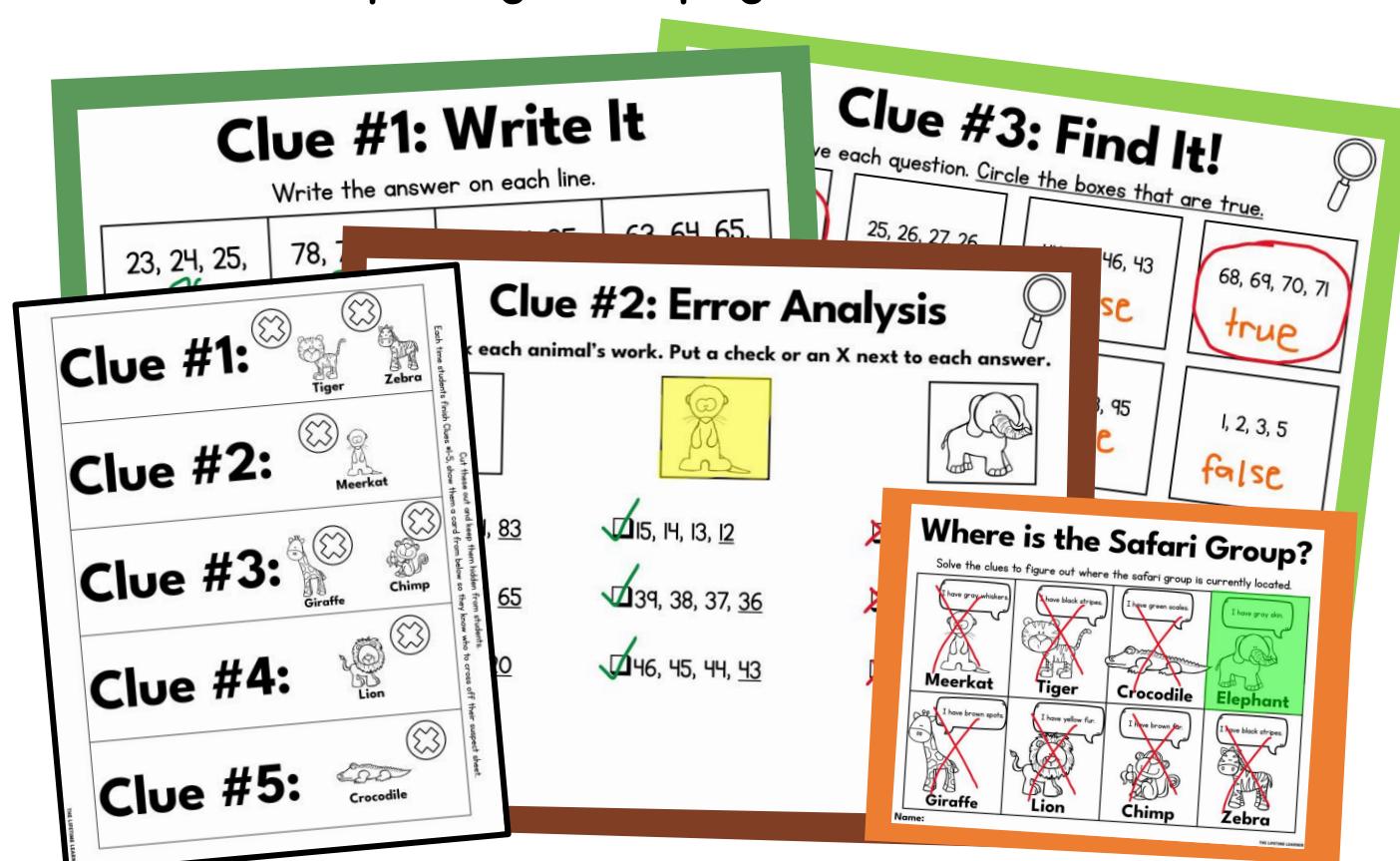
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The animal with the most correct answers is NOT the animal your safari group is with.

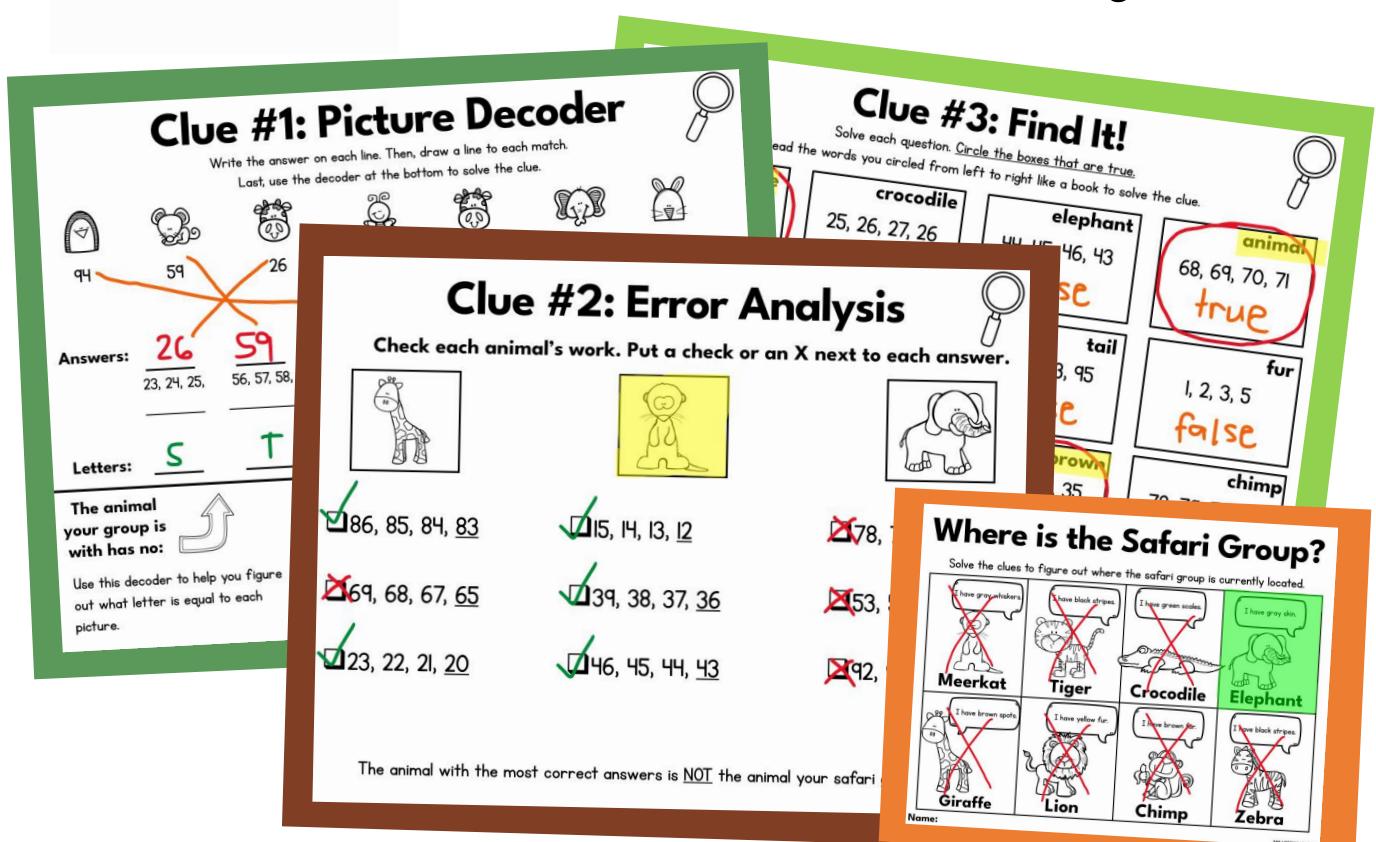
EASY & HARD OPTIONS

1. Students do the math on each clue page.
2. There is minimal reading on every page.
3. Students are handed a card showing what to cross out after completing each page.



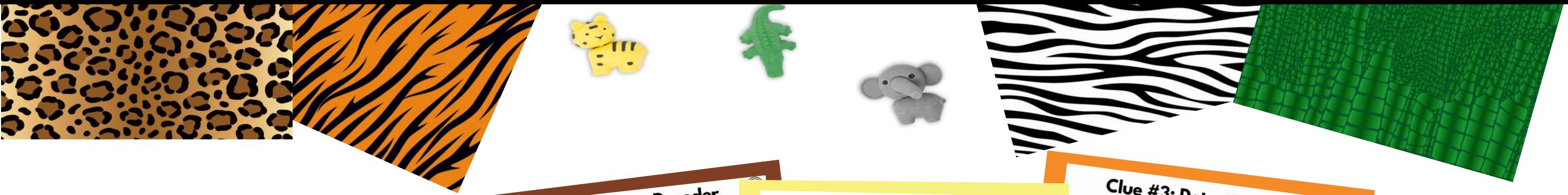
Easy Version

1. Students do the math on each clue page.
2. Teachers help students read the words on each clue page to figure out the mystery "hints".
3. Students use "hints" to cross out wrong answers.



Hard Version

MATH FACT VERSION!



Where is the Safari Group?

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I have gray whiskers.	I have black stripes.	I have green scales.	I have gray skin.
I have brown spots.	I have yellow fur.	I have brown fur.	I have black stripes.

Name: _____

Clue #1: 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.

5	16	11	7	19	9	6	18
4+3	5+11	18+1	9+2	7+5	3+6	4+1	8+10

Letters: N O S T R I P E

The animal your group is with has:

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

Answers: 7 16 11 7 19 9 6 18

Clue #2: Error Analysis

Check each animal's work. Put a check or an X next to each answer.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1+4=5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12+5=17
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5+8=13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3+2=5
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7+6=14	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7+9=16
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2+9=11	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6+1=5

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6+8=15
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3+3=9
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11+7=18
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1+4=12

Clue #3: Detective Report

The Livingstone family was going on their very first safari and they were so excited to see 6+7=13 different animals. They went to Kenya and arrived at their safari jeep, which could hold 4+14=18 people. The safari began 5+9=14 elephants in the distance. The safari guide saw 2+2=4 zebras with them. Later, everyone saw a pride made of 3+7=10 lions. The lions chased a group of 1+9=10 zebras, who barely escaped into the plains. At the watering hole, the safari group saw 12+8=20 tigers drinking. The Livingstones had such an amazing safari, they couldn't wait for 6+10=16 more safaris in the future.

The animal is: N=18 B=13 T=10 W=20 R=9 H=5 O=4

Clue #4: The Safari Jeep

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

20-2	13-8	16-9	15-3	9-7	12-6	19-4
18		7	12	2		15
6-5	16-2	18-10	11-7	20-9	12-6	19-4
1	14		4			5

Cross out the boxes with the following answers: 1, 2, 4, 7, 14, 15, 18. The letters that are left will reveal a message.

The animal has: **NO FUR**

Clue #5: Fill in the Blank

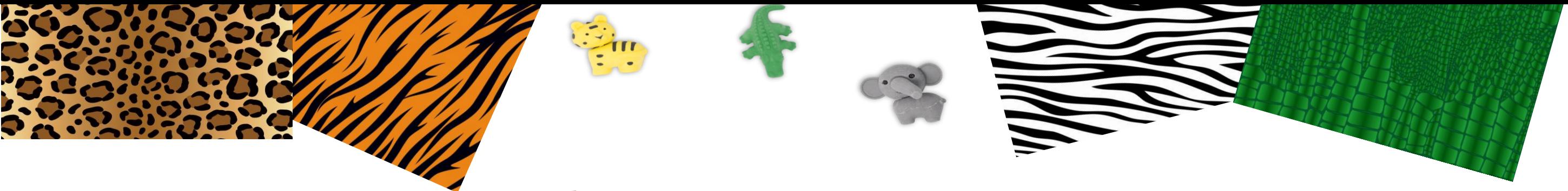
Solve each problem. Write the answer. Then, write the word that goes with it. When you are done, read the words in order from top to bottom in each row to figure out the clue.

18 animal	9 group	10 green	17 not	11 tall	19
7 mammal	5	2	12	15	16 whiskers
20	14 scales	3	1	6	8 spots
19-7	Answer: Word:	13-7	Answer: Word:	7-4	Answer: Word:
4-5	group	20	with	3	that
11-6	group	10-8	an	19	is
9-9	is	18	animal	6-13	gray
14-8	gray	14-8	animal	14-8	gray

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 Kindergarten, this works well as a whole group lesson or in small groups at the teacher table.

Kindergarteners 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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All the answers below are wrong. Find a match for each false equation to show the correct answer.
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The Detective Agency sends congratulations to:



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

LET'S DRAW...
a monkey

1	2	3
4	5	6



LET'S DRAW...
a zebra

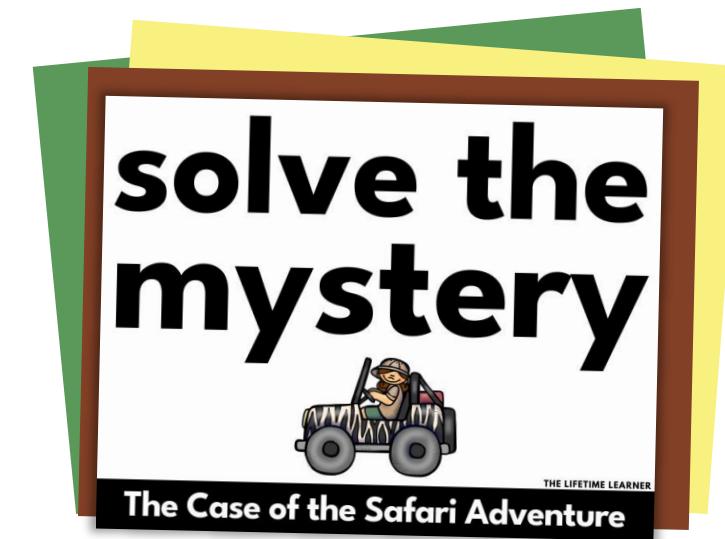
1	2	3
4	5	6



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Name: _____



solve the mystery



The Case of the Safari Adventure

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.



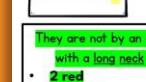
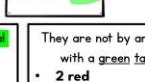
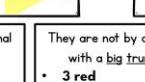
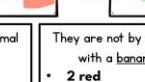
Reading

Example of Clue 1

Math

Clue #1 Safari Photos 

Color the snapshots the same color as the camera they belong with. Then, find the correct key at the bottom to solve the clue.

red -id	green -in	yellow -ix	blue -it
			
			
			
			

They are not by an animal with a long neck if:

- 2 red
- 3 green
- 3 yellow
- 2 blue

They are not by an animal with a green tail if:

- 2 red
- 3 green
- 2 yellow
- 3 blue

They are not by an animal with a big trunk if:

- 3 red
- 2 green
- 3 yellow
- 3 blue

They are not by an animal with a banana if:

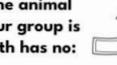
- 2 red
- 2 green
- 3 yellow
- 3 blue

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Clue #1: 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.

94	59	26	36	66	17	81
23, 24, 25,	56, 57, 58,	78, 79, 80,	33, 34, 35,	91, 92, 93,	14, 15, 16,	63, 64, 65,
s:	t:	r:	i:	p:	e:	s:

The animal your group is with has no: 

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 =	

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

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KEEP THE FUN GOING!

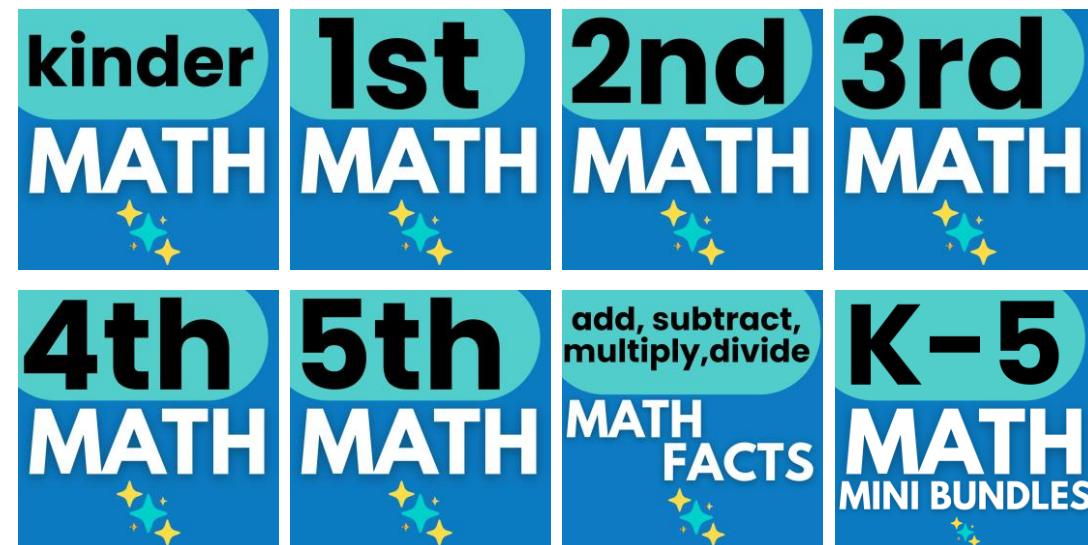
GRAB A READING MYSTERY:

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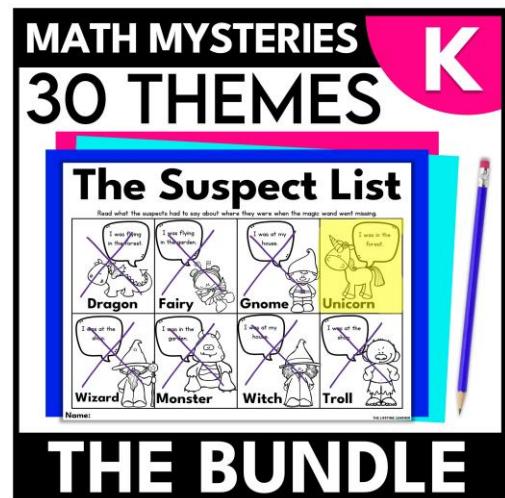


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