

# WHAT IS THIS?



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He'll never carved a turkey before.	I'm peeling potatoes so they're ready to cook.	He's never carved a turkey before.	It's fun to play football after we eat.
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I'm mash the sweet potatoes after lunch.	He's setting out the plates and silverware.	They're putting up decorations for the Thanksgiving play.	He's bring his famous cranberry sauce.

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## solve the mystery

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### The Case of the Thanksgiving Feast

### What Do I Bring?

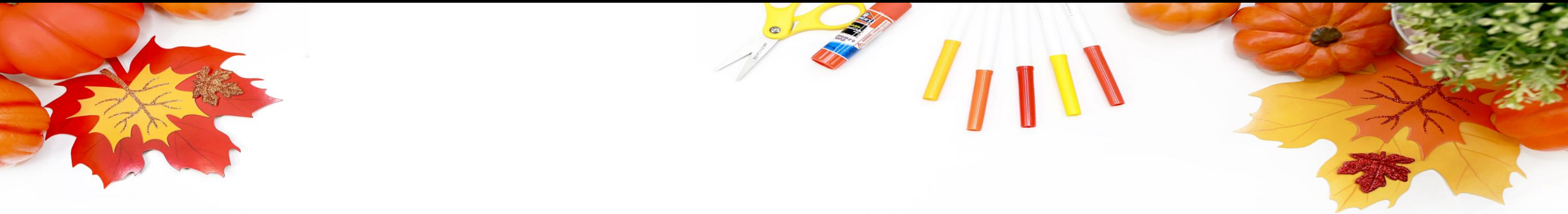
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Students complete a series of clues to figure out what food to bring to Thanksgiving dinner!


# HOW TO PLAY



## What Happened?

Oh no! You forgot what you are supposed to bring to Thanksgiving dinner! You don't want to let anyone down. Solve the clues to figure out the mystery so you can still show up with your dish!

1. Take a food list and then start solving each clue.
2. Each time you solve a clue, you will get closer to discovering what food you need to bring!
3. Cross out wrong items each time you find out new information. Good luck!



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Decide which word goes in each blank below. Find the matching picture above. Then write the word in each box.

Word: We heard the dog _____ <b>you</b>	Word: We ate _____ instead of turkey. <b>to</b>	Word: Dad lit a _____ to start a fire. <b>that</b>
Word: We like to jump in the _____ <b>don't</b>	Word: I wrote a _____ to say thank you. <b>bring</b>	Word: She adds an _____ alice to her water. <b>is</b>
Word: I fill up my _____ with corn. <b>need</b>	Word: After eating too much, I go _____ down. <b>something</b>	Word: I grab a _____ from the snack table. <b>poured</b>

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

# SKILL PRACTICE

## Grades 2-3 Grammar Review:

- Homonyms
- Subject & Predicate
- Comparative & Superlative
- Adjectives & Adverbs
- Irregular Plural Nouns
- Contractions

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 baked the pumpkin pie	 ate all the mashed potatoes
subject predicate	subject predicate
 our neighbors from down the street	 the big turkey in the oven
subject predicate	subject predicate
 my little cousin with sticky hands	 the pies in the oven
subject predicate	subject predicate
 the smell of cinnamon	 forgot to bring the gravy
subject predicate	subject predicate

**Clue #3: Color the Turkeys**

Circle the right answer and color in the picture. Then read the bottom.

The pumpkin pie was the \_\_\_\_\_ dish on the table.  
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• sweeter - orange mat

The mashed potatoes were \_\_\_\_\_ than last year.  
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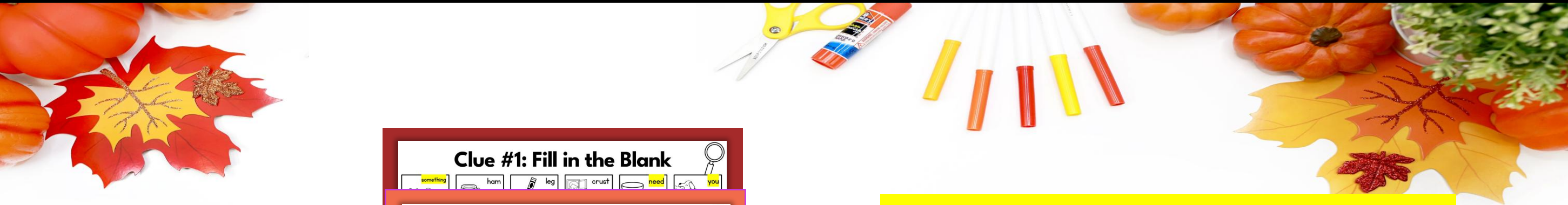
picture of the table.

Test if:

- You need to bring a vegetable if
- orange mat
- red plate
- brown nuts
- red bun
- yellow broth
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**All clues focus on reviewing grammar skills!**

# MULTIPLE VERSIONS



## Print & Digital Forms

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Thanksgiving was the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the entire week.  
This is the \_\_\_\_\_ stuffing I've ever eaten.

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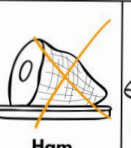

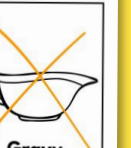


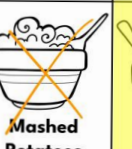
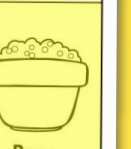
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## Short & Long Options

# PARTS OF SPEECH OPTION AVAILABLE

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 Pie	 Ham	 Bread	 Gravy
 Corn	 Turkey	 Mashed Potatoes	 Peas

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Clue #1: Fill in the Blank

will play	ate	sneak	stirred	will eat
smell	smelled	set	say	are watching
is stirring	watches	will cook	snuck	sat

Read each sentence below. Find the matching verb above. Then write the word in italics in each box.

Yesterday, the turkey you *to* a bite of turkey off my plate.

Grandma is stirring *bring* the potatoes in the bowl.

Tomorrow, we will play *need* pie with whipped cream.

When you are done, read \_\_\_\_\_

### Clue #2: Fork or Knife?

Circle the correct collective noun in each box.

A flock of turkeys

A parade of floats

A basket of bread

A table of guests

A batch of cookies

A bundle of wheat

### Clue #4: Word Hunt

Each sentence has a preposition in it. Underline it. Color in the box too if the preposition tells you a location. Then, read the bottom.

The turkey is <u>under</u> the table.	Mom stayed awake <u>throughout</u> the night.	The corn is stacked <u>on</u> top of the basket.
The kids laughed <u>after</u> dinner.	The pie is <u>on</u> the counter.	Grandma smiled <u>because</u> of the surprise.
Uncle Eric napped <u>before</u> the dessert.	The family cheered <u>during</u> the parade.	The gravy boat is <u>beside</u> the mashed potatoes.

How many location prepositions do you see? Write the number on line.

The food you need to bring has four letters.

### Clue #3: Color the Turkeys

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The turkey sat in the middle of the table.

We were seated to dinner.

Grandma brought her pie everywhere she went.

parade - red mat  
funny - yellow mat  
messy - brown mat

soaky - red plate  
muddy - orange plate  
sleepy - yellow plate  
chessy - brown plate

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hairy - orange nuts  
bright - yellow nuts  
famous - brown nuts

The kids wrote notes of thanks to their parents and grandma.

My dad frowned when he saw me ride in the hot air balloon.

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### Clue #5: Find It!

Circle the boxes where the adverb makes sense with the verb. Cross out the boxes where the adverb does NOT make sense. Then read the words at the top of each box you circled to solve the clue.

<u>you</u>	<del>like</del>	<u>can</u>	<del>not</del>
The turkey ran quickly down the road.	The chef chopped the spaghetti <u>stomachily</u> for the perfect soup.	The turkey gibbled loudly in the barn.	The waiter served the pie neatly off the fancy dinner.
<del>bit</del>	<u>eat</u>	<u>it</u>	<u>with</u>
The kids dropped the plates carefully on the floor.	The family shared stories happily around the table.	The cousins played football excitedly in the yard.	Aunt May folded the napkins neatly by each plate.
<del>corn</del>	<u>a</u>	<u>spoon</u>	<del>hands</del>
The family argued happily about chores.	The parade floats moved smoothly down the street.	Grandma rolled the pie dough easily on the counter.	The wind blew gently and knocked over the giant parade balloon.

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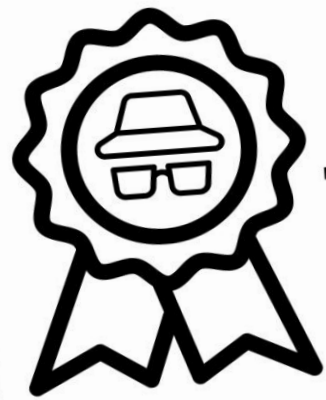
Differentiate within your small groups. Same clues. Same mystery. Different focus!

There is a version of the mystery included that reviews ONLY Parts of Speech.

# FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



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Lindsay

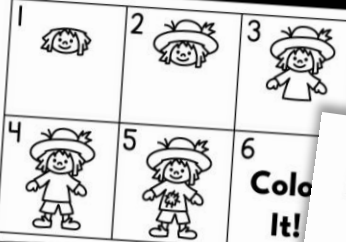
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LET'S DRAW...

a scarecrow



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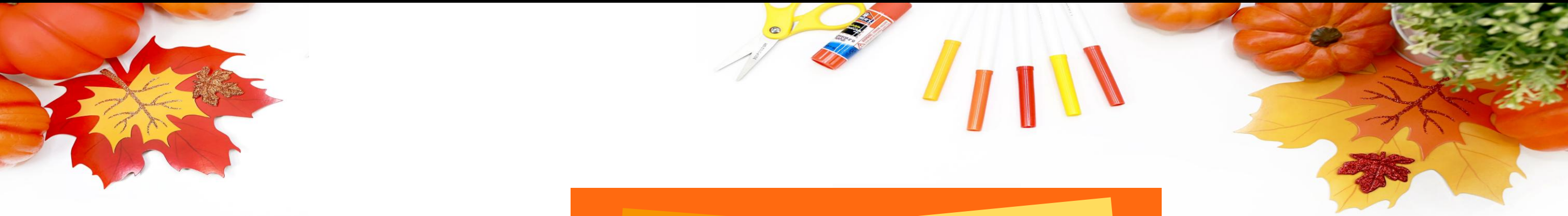
a pumpkin



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

# GRAMMAR MYSTERY BENEFITS



- No Prep
- Print and Digital Versions
- 3 & 5 Clue Options
- Fun and Engaging
- Easy to Differentiate
- Encourages Critical Thinking
- Aligns with Grammar Standards
- Perfect for Review Days
- Choice between 2 versions: Grammar Review OR Parts of Speech. You can even mix/match clues to combine the 2 skills together (clues are interchangeable)!

**Clue #4: Plural Nouns Hunt**

loaf ↓ loaves	family ↓ familys	fox ↓ foxes
turkey ↓ turkies	berry ↓ berries	potato ↓ potatos
dish ↓ dishes	leaf ↓ leafs	knife ↓ knives

How many boxes show the correct spelling when the word changed to a plural form?  
Write the number on line.

The food you need to bring has **four** letters.

This works well for grades 2-3 in partners, teams, or even in small groups at the teacher table!

# WHY TEACHERS LOVE THESE!

Ordinary grammar worksheets can be boring and unoriginal.

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

**GRAMMAR MYSTERIES ARE EXACTLY WHAT YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR!**

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<b>corn</b> I'm mash the sweet potatoes after lunch.	<b>a</b> He's setting out the plates and silverware.	<b>spoon</b> They're putting up decorations for the Thanksgiving play.	<b>hands</b> He's bring his famous cranberry sauce.

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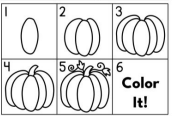
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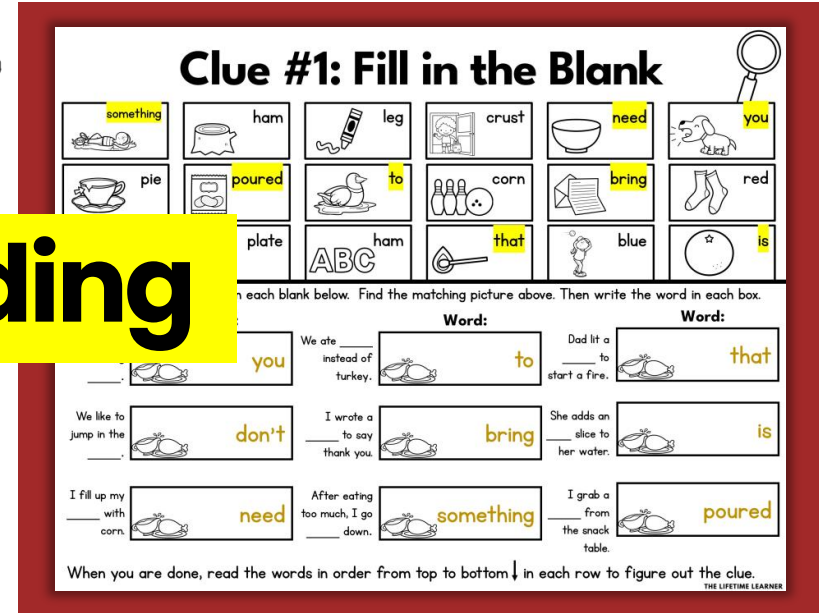
Reading Mysteries aren't just a copy of Math Mysteries!

They have brand-new clues, focus on reading 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



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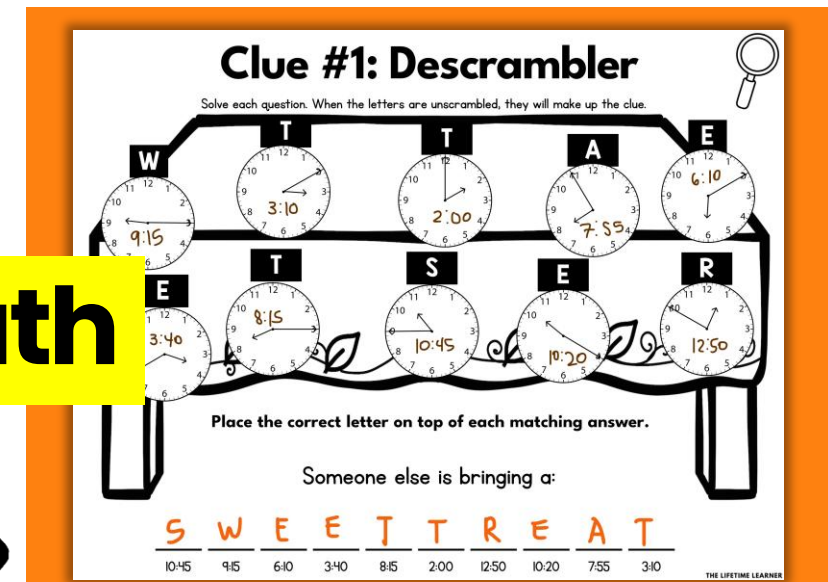
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I fill up my \_\_\_\_\_ with corn. After eating too much, I go \_\_\_\_\_ down. I grab a \_\_\_\_\_ from the snack table.

When you are done, read the words in order from top to bottom ↓ in each row to figure out the clue.

Example of Clue 1

Math



**Clue #1: Descrambler**

Solve each question. When the letters are unscrambled, they will make up the clue.

W	T	T	A	E
E	T	S	E	R

Place the correct letter on top of each matching answer.

Someone else is bringing a:

S W E E T T R E A T

10:45 9:15 6:10 3:40 8:15 2:00 12:50 10:20 7:55 3:10

# KEEP THE FUN GOING!

## GRAB A MATH MYSTERY:

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



## MORE READING MYSTERIES:

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



**BUY A BUNDLE  
TO SAVE BIG!**

