

WHAT IS THIS?

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Mr. Lee
thanksgiving
new york
monday
chicago
april
mexico
amy
easter

airplane
train

DEPARTURES →

jones street

1 Correct
2 Correct
3 Correct
4 Correct

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solve the mystery



The Case of the Missing Luggage

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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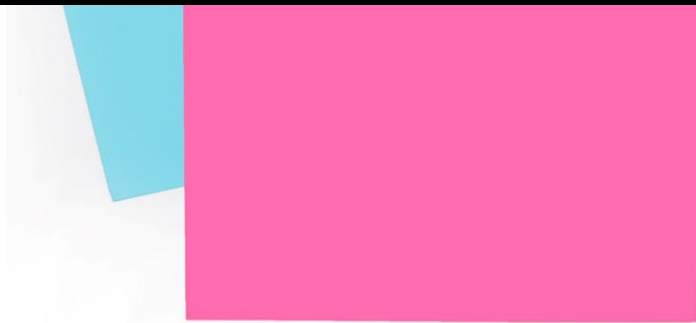
 Italy	 Japan	 Canada	 Germany
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Name: _____

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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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2 where my family headed out on vacation on friday.	3 sing grandma flew to kansa, city for a wedding.	2 you My family drove to the grand canyon to watch the sunrise.	2 eat Do you know where i can get a pepsi in the airport?
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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


Capitalization Rules:


- Comparison Capitalization
- Identify Words Needing Capitalization
- Identify Number Of Words Needing To Be Capitalized
- Error Analysis
- Capitalization Rules
- Different Types Of Capitalization

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 **where**
2
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Write the phrase
not



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blue  red 

Should not be capitalized


 **airport**  **alaska**


 **christmas**  **ticket**


near a re:  The suitcase is not near **pizza** if there are:
• 7 blue
• 3 red


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 **5.** We went a long way to see the great Wall of China.


 **7.** He bought tickets to orlando.


 **1.** We went to London to see tower Bridge.


 **4.** They plan to go to the Ohio train Station today.

 **9.** We went to visit the statue of Liberty.

 **2.** She wants to see a volcano in hawaii next year.

 **6.** I'd love to visit rome someday.

 **3.** We sailed across the atlantic Ocean.

 **8.** I went on a trip to the white House where the president lives.

The suitcase is not near something
T H A T G R O W S

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9.

All clues focus on reviewing capitalization!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



Print & Digital Forms

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Should be capitalized: blue red
Should not be capitalized: white

3 Clue Version

mr. smith suitcase english christmas red

The suitcase is not near a plane if there are:
• 5 blue
• 5 red

The suitcase is not near a plane if there are:
• 4 blue
• 6 red

The suitcase is not near a plane if there are:
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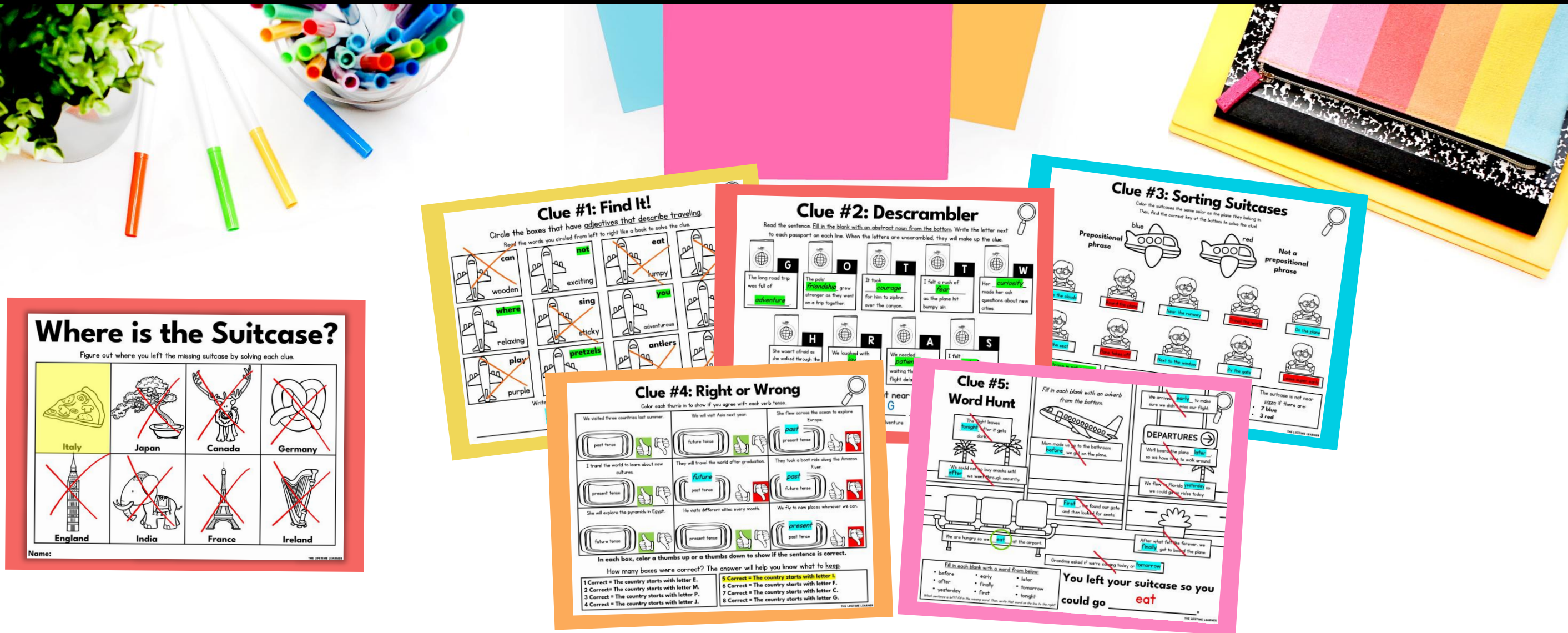
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Short & Long Options

PARTS OF SPEECH OPTION AVAILABLE



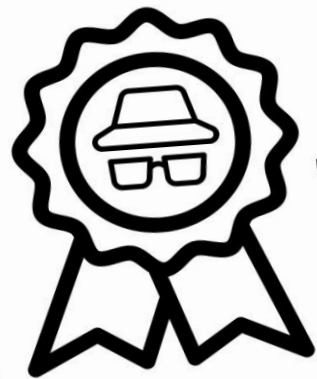
Differentiate within your small groups. Same clues. Same mystery. Different focus!

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

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



The Detective Agency sends
congratulations to:



Lindsay

You solved the mystery!

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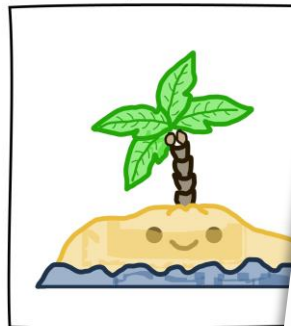
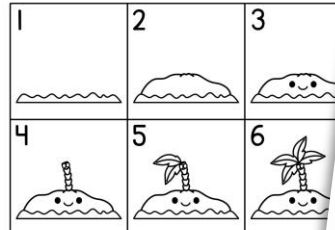
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LET'S DRAW...

an island



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a volcano




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: Capitalization OR Parts of Speech. You can even mix/match clues to combine the 2 skills together (clues are interchangeable)!

Clue #4: Right or Wrong 

Decide if the correct capitalization rule was written in each box.

She'd like to know if I want to come. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize the word I  	My aunt lives on Summer Stars Road. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize a street  	I own a dog called a Dalmatian. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize a title  
The best holiday is the Fourth of July. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize a day of week  	I read <i>Charlotte's Web</i> in the car. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize a place  	We're going to go visit family in Texas. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize animal names  
Mrs. Lewis wants to take a vacation. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize a name  	We flew on the plane last October. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize a month  	Tuesdays are the cheapest day to fly. <input type="checkbox"/> Capitalize a holiday  

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

How many pictures were correct? The answer will help you know what to keep.

1 Correct = The country starts with letter E. 2 Correct = The country starts with letter M. 3 Correct = The country starts with letter P. 4 Correct = The country starts with letter J.	5 Correct = The country starts with letter I. 6 Correct = The country starts with letter F. 7 Correct = The country starts with letter C. 8 Correct = The country starts with letter G.
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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.

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WHAT MAKES READING MYSTERIES UNIQUE?

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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1 can	2 not	3 eat	3 food
We took a plane to new york to see the city lights.	My uncle took photos of the golden gate bridge.	the space needle is a tall tower where visitors can look out and see the city.	
3 sing	2 you	2 eat	
vacation on friday.	My family drove to the grand canyon to watch the sunrise.	Do you know where i can get a pepsi in the airport?	
1 play	2 pretzels	3 antlers	3 tusks
Do you think we'll get to see famous people in hollywood?	we always travel in june when school is out.	our tour guide's name was mr. rogers.	We stayed at disney world in march.

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Example of Clue 1

Math

Clue #1: Fill in the Blank

25	was	11	suitcase	5	was	15	I	7	tall	21	my
6	wasn't	19	pizza		Canada	60	am	10	animal	16	with
22	music		England	50	food	17	deer		Ireland	52	building

Answer: Word: 15 I How many people voted in all? 50 food How many more people voted for Canada than Germany? 11 suitcase

voted for England than Germany? 6 wasn't Which country got the most votes? Canada when How many people voted for Germany and Ireland? 25 was

Which country had the 2nd most votes? Ireland eating How many people voted for Canada? 21 my Which country got the least votes? Ireland lost

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.

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!**

