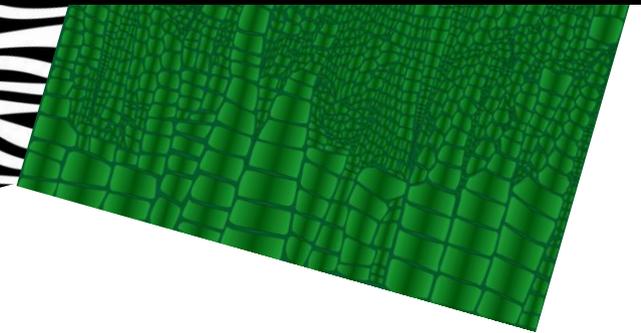
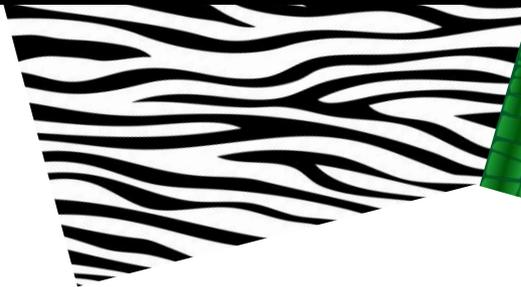
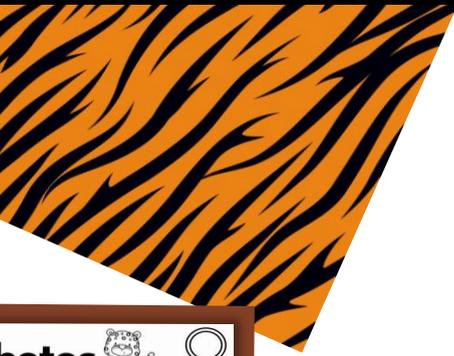


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Clue #3: Descrambler

Look at the picture. Match it to a word below. Write the letter next to each jeep on each line. When the letters are unscrambled, they will make up the clue.

I packed a knapsack. I scratched on a shrub.

Clue #4: Word Hunt

Fill in the missing two letter for each word.

cli mb la mb SAFARI

Clue #5: Multiple Choice

Tell what word goes in the blank. Circle the right answer. Then read the bottom.

I hang up a comb on my door. She bumped her thumb on the gate. I saw a lady knit a scarf while sitting under a tree. I wring the water out of the cloth.

A. wrapper B. wreath C. wrench D. wrist
 A. crumb B. lamb C. thumb D. plumber
 A. knife B. knit C. knead D. knock
 A. wring B. wrist C. wrinkle D. wrap

It was so cold that my fingers went numb. They put a gnome in the safari camp to scare off animals. We took the wristwatch on the trail and got lost. We knelt by a bush to watch the lions.

A. limb B. bomb C. comb D. numb
 A. align B. gnat C. gnome D. gnaw
 A. wristwatch B. wriggle C. wren D. wrong
 A. know B. knelt C. knuckle D. knee

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solve the mystery

The Case of the Safari Adventure

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Where is the Safari Group?

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

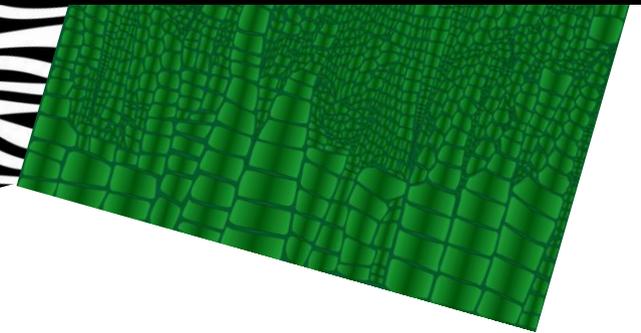
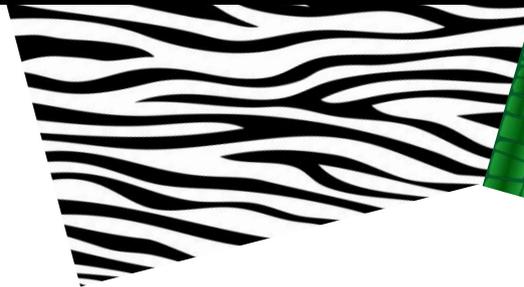
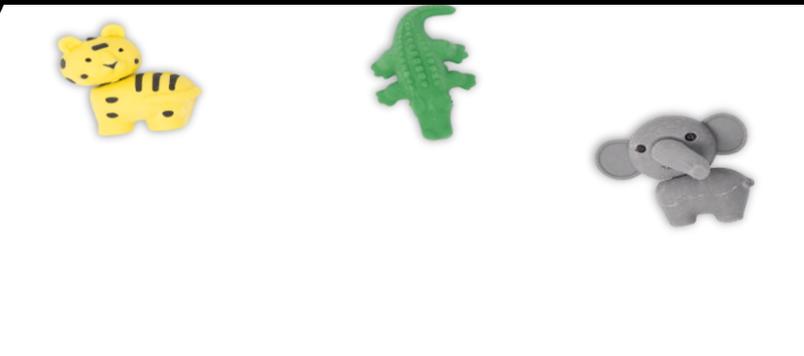
I have gray whiskers.	I have black stripes.	I have green scales.	I have gray skin.
Meerkat	Tiger	Crocodile	Elephant
I have brown spots.	I have yellow fur.	I have brown fur.	I have black stripes.
Giraffe	Lion	Chimp	Zebra

Name: _____

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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 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!

- | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| They are not by an animal with a long neck if: | They are not by an animal with a green tail if: | They are not by an animal with a big trunk if: | They are not by an animal with a banana if: |
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THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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

Meerkat	Tiger	Crocodile	Elephant
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

Silent Letters Review:

- Practice with KN, GN, MB, & WR
- Onset and Rime
- Beginning Missing
- Ending Missing
- Error Analysis
- Match Picture to Word
- Fill in the Blank Sentences

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I knew we would see a lot of animals on the safari.	I like to climb trees to see animals.	We saw a lion gnaw on meat.
I packed my snacks in a knapsack for the safari.	The wrecking ball knocked down the old safari hut.	Dad used a wrench to fix the safari jeep.
I scratched my limb on a sharp branch.	The plumber fixed the water at the safari camp.	A buzzing gnat landed on my arm.

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

How many pictures were correct?

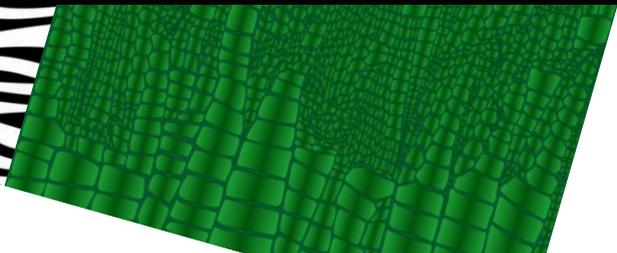
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2 Correct = Cross out fur.	6 Correct = Cross out cats.
3 Correct = Cross out spots.	7 Correct = Cross out short tails.
4 Correct = Cross out skin.	8 Correct = Cross out long tails.

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Match the picture to a word below. Write the letter next to each jeep on each line. When the letters are unscrambled, they will make up the clue.

R I T
wreck knife design

All clues focus on reviewing “ghost letters!”

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



Print & Digital Forms

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3 Clue Version

The animal they are near:
I S N O T G R A Y

thumb sign knock crumb write wristwatch wreck knife design

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Fill in the missing two letter for each word.

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5 Clue Version

Circle how many you chose in each box below. Then, read the phrase to know what to cross out.

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How many pictures were correct?

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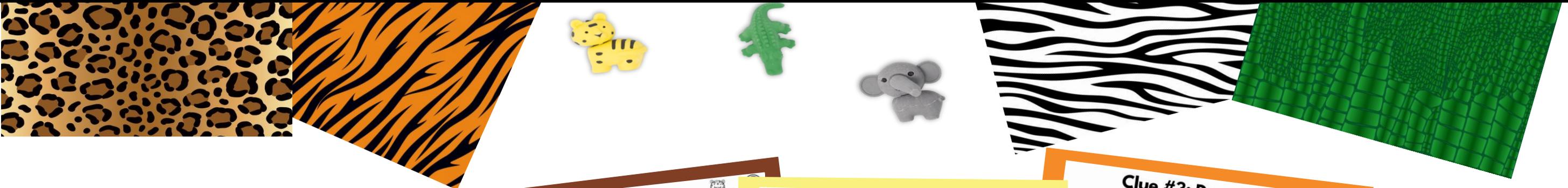
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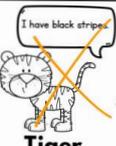
Short & Long Options

CVC OPTION AVAILABLE



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<p>I have brown spots.</p>  Giraffe	<p>I have yellow fur.</p>  Lion	<p>I have brown fur.</p>  Chimp	<p>I have black stripes.</p>  Zebra

Name: _____

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 go.

Key:

- red = dot
- green = hop
- yellow = pod
- blue = not

Clue #2: Right or Wrong

Does the picture match the word? Color the thumb up to show if you agree.

rug	tub	bug
cub	gum	hug
rub	tug	pup

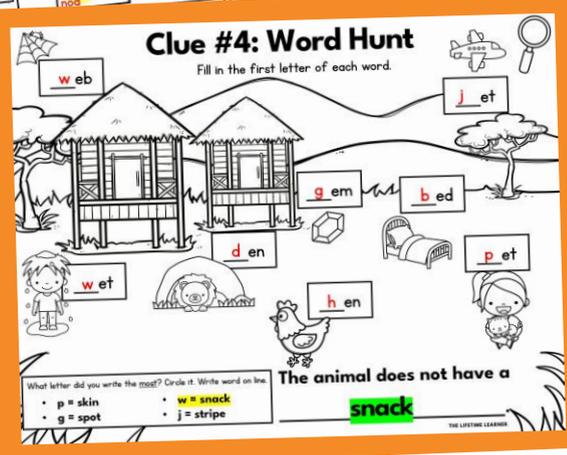
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G	N	Y	I
			
A	Y		

Clue #4: Word Hunt

Fill in the first letter of each word.



What letter did you write the most? Circle it. Write word on line.

- p = skin
- w = snack
- g = spot
- j = stripe

The animal does not have a **snack**.

Clue #5: Multiple Choice

Tell what word each picture shows. Circle the right answer. Then read the bottom.

			
A. rip	A. tip	A. fun	A. bib
B. dip	B. lap	B. pin	B. rib
C. lip	C. lip	C. fan	C. bin
D. zip	D. sp	D. fit	D. big

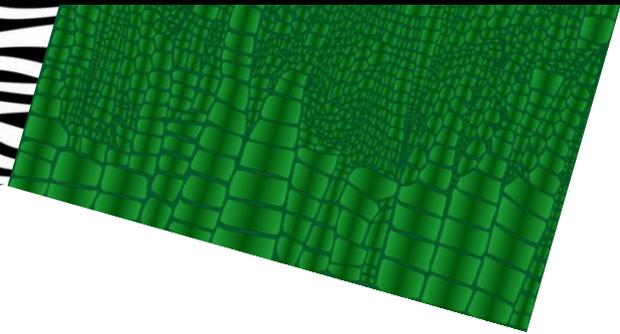
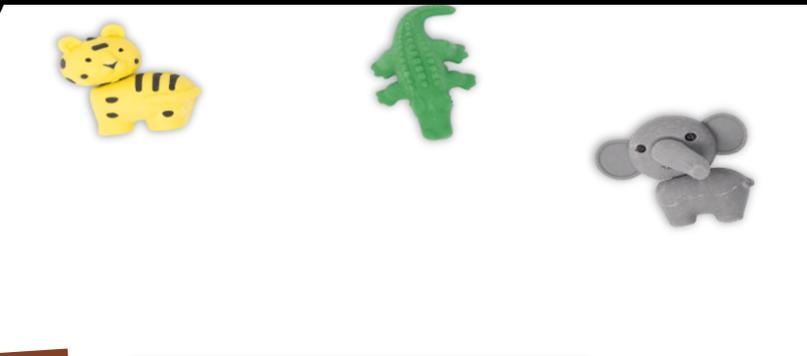
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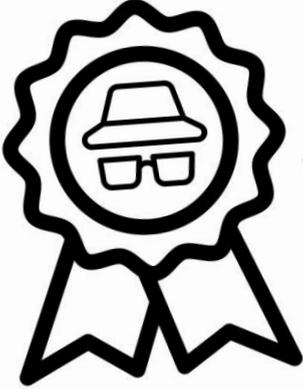
Differentiate within your small groups. Same clues. Same mystery. Different focus!

There is a version of the mystery included that reviews CVC Words (Short A, E, I, O, U).

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



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Lindsay

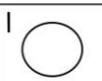
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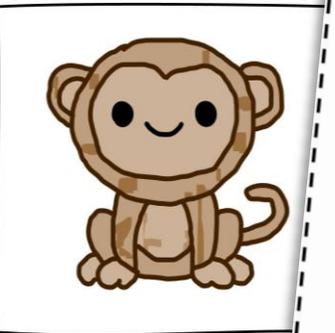
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THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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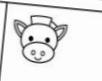
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4 	5 	6 



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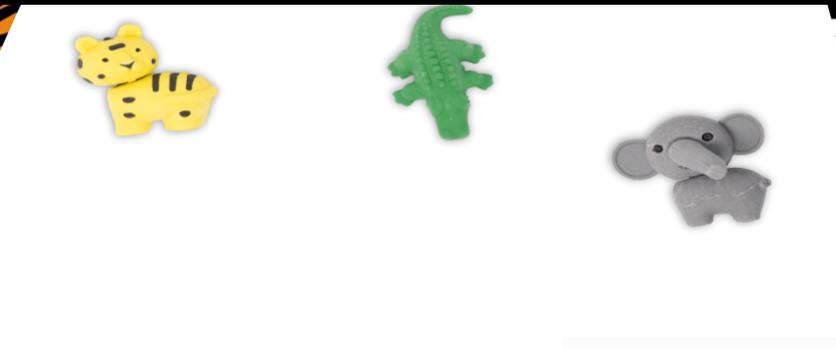
a zebra

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

PHONICS MYSTERY BENEFITS



- No Prep
- Print and Digital Versions
- 3 & 5 Clue Options
- Fun and Engaging
- Easy to Differentiate
- Encourages Critical Thinking
- Aligns with Phonics Standards
- Perfect for Review Days
- Choice between 2 versions: Phonics Mystery OR CVC Words Mystery.
- You can even mix/match clues to combine the 2 skills together.

Clue #4: Word Hunt
Fill in the missing two letter for each word.

cli mb

kn ob

kn apsack

wr estle

kn ife

desi gn

si gn

gn aw

la mb

What blend did you write the most? Circle it. Write word on line.

- mb = skin
- wr = spot
- kn = snack
- gn = stripe

The animal does not have a **SNACK**

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Ideas for Use:

- Use as a mini lesson during whole group time
- During small groups
- In partners
- In table groups
- For fast finishers

WHY TEACHERS LOVE THESE!

Ordinary phonics 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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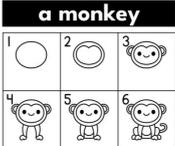
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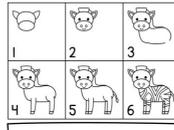
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Date Presented by:

LET'S DRAW...
a monkey



LET'S DRAW...
a zebra



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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:

solve the mystery



The Case of the Safari Adventure

WHAT MAKES READING MYSTERIES UNIQUE?

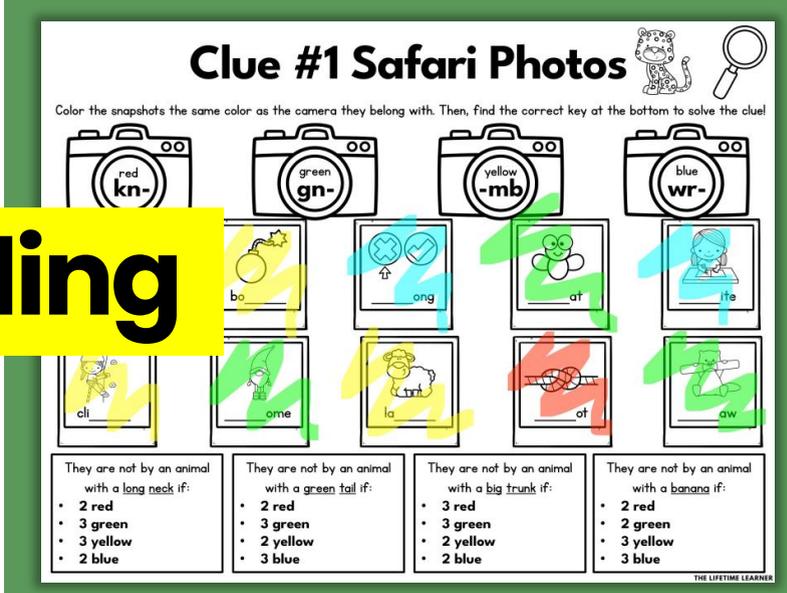
Reading Mysteries aren't just a copy of Math Mysteries!

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



Clue #1 Safari Photos

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Cameras: red kn-, green gn-, yellow mb-, blue wr-

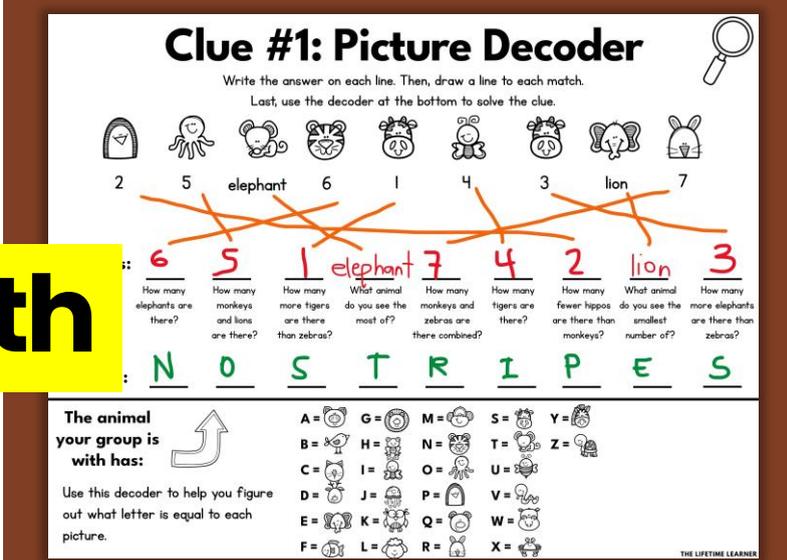
Photos: bo, ong, at, ife, cli, ome, la, ot, aw

Clues:

- 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
 - 3 green
 - 2 yellow
 - 2 blue
- They are not by an animal with a banana if:
 - 2 red
 - 2 green
 - 3 yellow
 - 3 blue

Example of Clue 1

Math



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.

Animals: 2, 5, elephant, 6, 1, 4, 3, lion, 7

Questions:

- How many elephants are there? 6
- How many monkeys and lions are there? 5
- How many more tigers are there than zebras? 1
- What animal do you see the most of? elephant
- How many monkeys and zebras are there combined? 7
- How many tigers are there? 4
- How many fewer hippos are there than monkeys? 2
- What animal do you see the smallest number of? lion
- How many more elephants are there than zebras? 3

Decoder: N O S T R I P E S

The animal your group is with has:

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

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

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.



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