

WHAT IS THIS?

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hen jet

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solve the mystery



The Case of the Missing Princess

Where is the Princess Hiding?
Figure out whose house the princess is hiding at right now by solving each clue.

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Name: _____

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

HOW TO PLAY

What Happened?

The princess has disappeared! You need to figure out which fairytale character in the kingdom she is hiding with. Help figure out which character the princess is hiding with by solving clues.

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



THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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|  princess pig |  prince run |  not mix |  can fat |
|  near bit |  has fox |  brick sip |  stick sit |
|  up jot |  straw lip |  down pot |  egg ham |

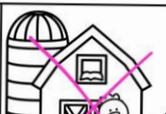
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Each time students solve a clue, it will reveal what place to cross out.

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

SKILL PRACTICE

CVC Word Review!

- Short A
- Short E
- Short I
- Short O
- Short U
- Rhyming Words / Word Families
- Onset and Rime
- Blending Sounds

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| pod | rob | box |
| cup | mop | dot |
| mad | hot | fog |

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

How many pictures were correct?

| | |
|---|---|
| 1 Correct = Cross out any places with eggs. | 5 Correct = Cross out any places with girls. |
| 2 Correct = Cross out any places with hens. | 6 Correct = Cross out any places with boys. |
| 3 Correct = Cross out any places with beans. | 7 Correct = Cross out any places with bears. |
| 4 Correct = Cross out any places with a lamb. | 8 Correct = Cross out any places with a wolf. |

Clue #3: Multiple Choice
Tell what word each picture shows. Circle the right answer. Then read the bottom.

A. hen

A. get
B. gas
C. gem
D. gum

A. sun
B. sat
C. six
D. set

How many Ds did you circle?
1 D = treats
2 Ds = door
3 Ds = girls
4 Ds = boys

All clues focus on reviewing CVC words!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS

Print & Digital Forms

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3 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 As did you circle? 1 A = no 2 As = she 3 As = the 4 As = when | How many Bs did you circle? 1 B = loves 2 Bs = hates 3 Bs = eats 4 Bs = runs | How many Cs did you circle? 1 C = meat 2 Cs = crack 3 Cs = sweet 4 Cs = pet | How many Ds did you circle? 1 D = treats 2 Ds = door 3 Ds = girls 4 Ds = boys |
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Clue #4: Word Hunt
Fill in the first letter of each word.

The princess went to visit a **kid**.

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

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- D = girl
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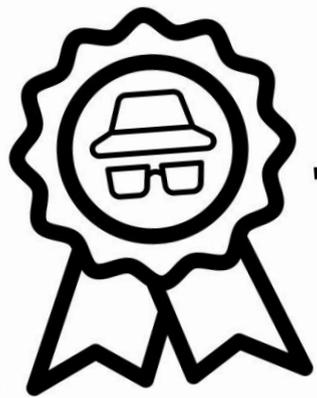
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Short & Long Options

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY

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Lindsay

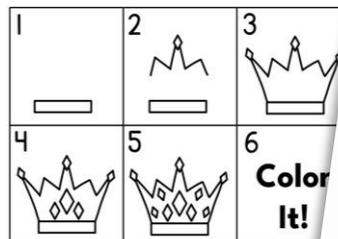
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11/2
Date

AW
Presented by:

LET'S DRAW...

a crown



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LET'S DRAW...

a queen



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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

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In K-1, this works well as a whole group lesson or in small groups at the teacher table.

Students will need teacher support to read & understand the clues/directions.

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.

PHONICS MYSTERIES ARE EXACTLY WHAT YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR!

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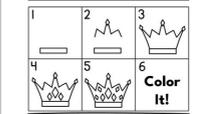


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WHAT MAKES READING MYSTERIES UNIQUE?

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

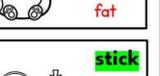
They have brand-new clues, focus on reading skills, and even feature a different conclusion to the mystery.

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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|  run |  mix |  fat |  stick |
|  fox |  sip |  sit |  egg |
|  up |  lip |  pot |  ham |

Write the phrase on the line. Use the hint to cross the wrong place off your list.
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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.

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 90 | 89 | 76 | 53 | 106 | 81 | 99 | 104 | 88 |
| 9 more than 81 | 5 less than 94 | 4 more than 72 | 3 less than 56 | 6 more than 100 | 7 less than 88 | 2 more than 97 | 8 less than 112 | 3 more than 85 |
| B | E | A | N | S | T | A | L | K |

The princess is hiding somewhere with 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 =  | |

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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TO SAVE BIG!**

