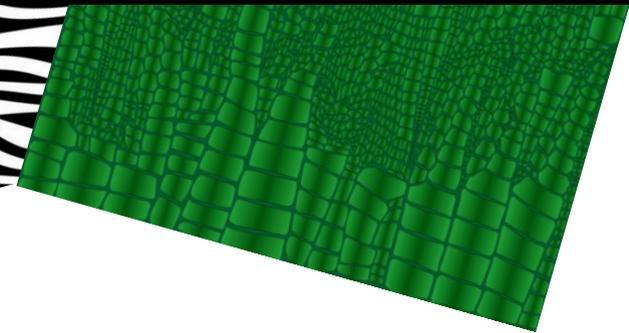
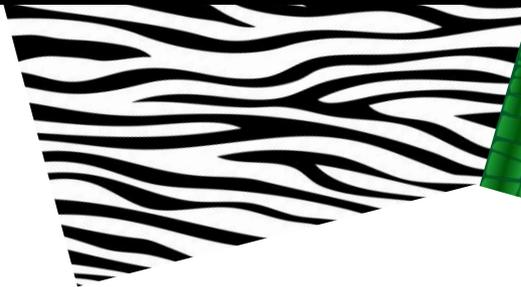
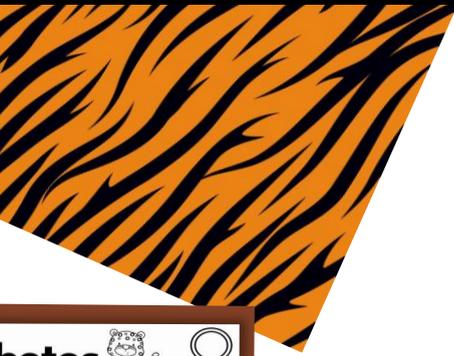


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web jet

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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.

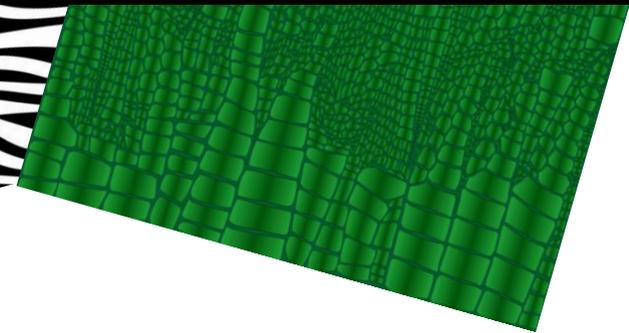
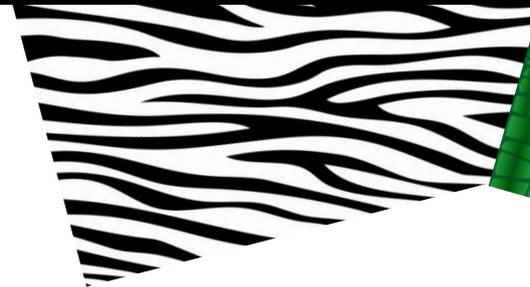
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Name: _____

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

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 dot	 pod	 mom	 pop
 rod	 hop	 nod	 mop

- | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|
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Where is the Safari Group?

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

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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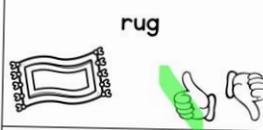
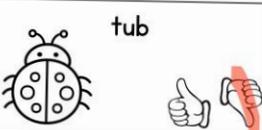
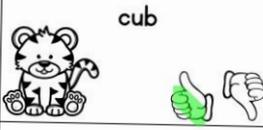
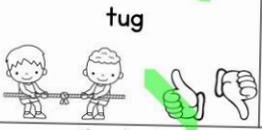
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- 3 yellow
- 2 blue

Clue #2: Right or Wrong

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

 rug	 tub	 bug
 cub	 gum	 hug
 rub	 tug	 pup

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 trunks.	5 Correct = Cross out stripes.
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.

Clue #3: Descrambler

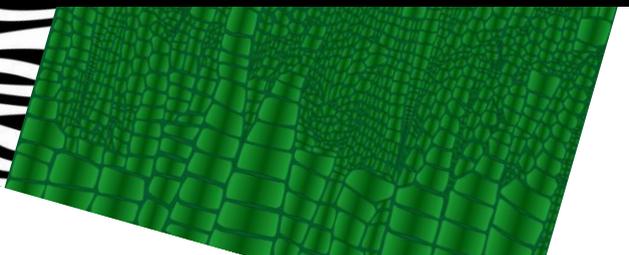
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R A Y
gas ham rat

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All clues focus on reviewing CVC words!

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

pan fan fan van hat jam gas ham rat

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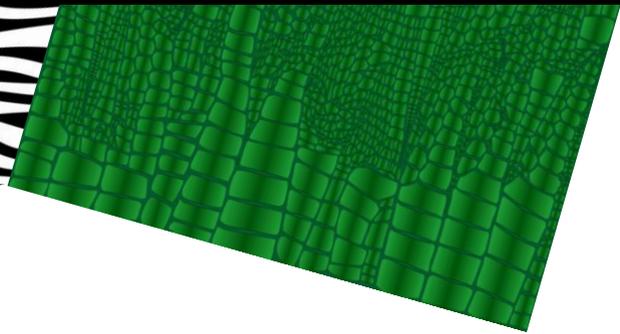
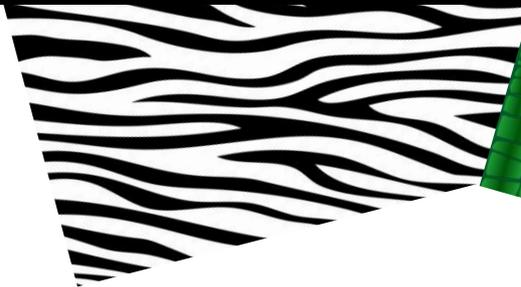
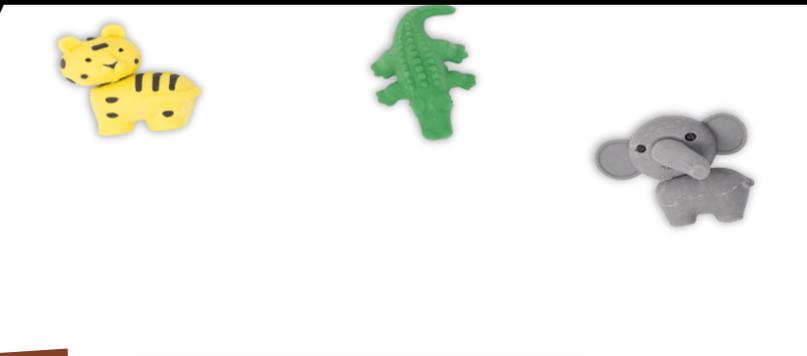
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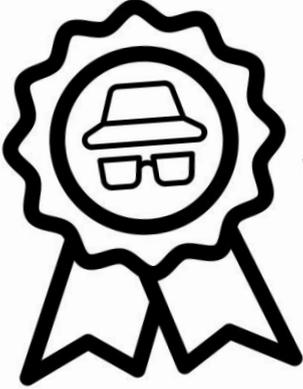
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Short & Long Options

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



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11/2 Date *AW* Presented by:

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

LET'S DRAW...

a monkey

1 	2 	3 
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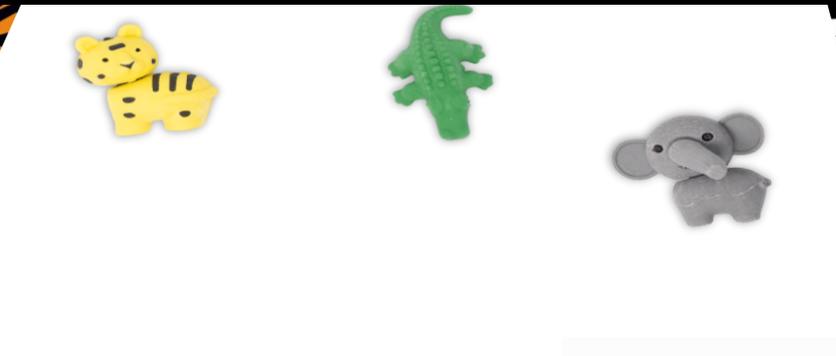
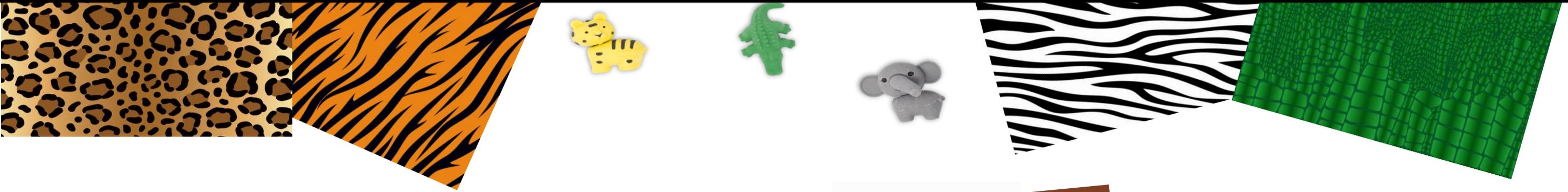
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If students finish early, give them a **certificate of completion** and a **directed drawing** to complete while others continue working.

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

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**

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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!

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WHAT MAKES READING MYSTERIES UNIQUE?

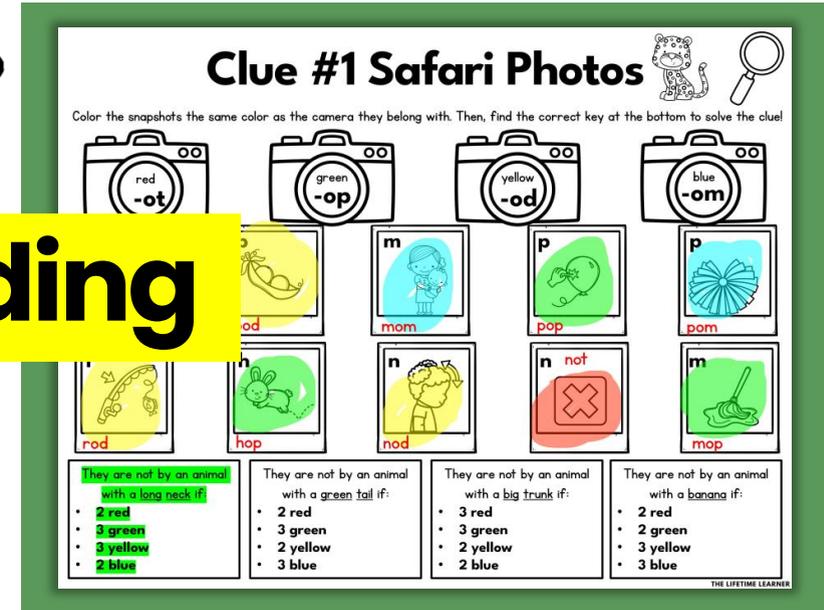
Reading Mysteries aren't just a copy of Math Mysteries!

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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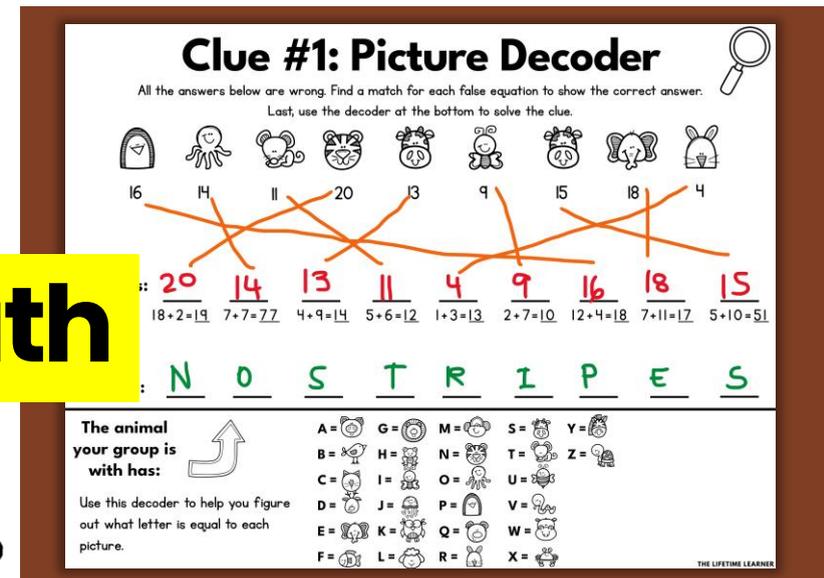
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Photos: rod, mom, pop, pom, hap, nod, not, mop

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Example of Clue 1

Math



Clue #1: Picture Decoder

All the answers below are wrong. Find a match for each false equation to show the correct answer. Last, use the decoder at the bottom to solve the clue.

Equations: $16 = 14$, $11 = 20$, $13 = 9$, $15 = 18$, $4 = 20$, $14 = 13$, $4 = 9$, $16 = 18$, $15 = 15$, $18 = 15$, $13 = 14$, $11 = 12$, $13 = 13$, $2 + 7 = 10$, $12 + 4 = 18$, $7 + 11 = 17$, $5 + 10 = 51$

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.

Legend:
A = [cat], B = [dog], C = [fish], D = [frog], E = [goat], F = [horse], G = [lion], H = [monkey], I = [panda], J = [rabbit], K = [sheep], L = [snake], M = [tiger], N = [zebra], O = [bird], P = [cow], Q = [pig], R = [goat], S = [lion], T = [zebra], U = [bird], V = [cow], W = [pig], X = [goat], Y = [lion], Z = [zebra]

KEEP THE FUN GOING!

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