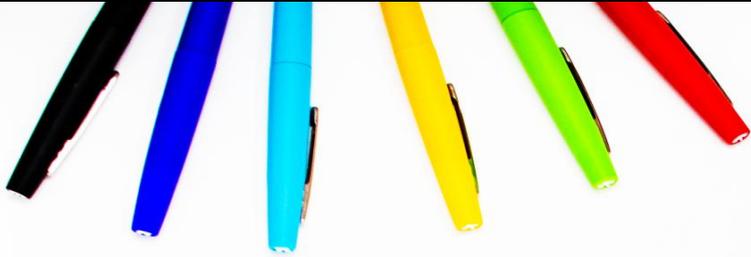


WHAT IS THIS?



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There is a sport if:
• 2 yellow
• 3 red
• 3 green
• 2 blue

How many
• 5 = feet
• 6 = hands

The trophy is

N E A R A H O O P

nut dog dip ham rag cob log slip gem

solve the mystery

The Case of the Missing Trophy

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Where is the Trophy?
Solve the clues to figure out where the missing trophy is located.

Baseball Field	Football Field	Tennis Court	Swimming Pool
Track	Basketball Court	Volleyball Court	Soccer Field

Name: _____

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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

HOW TO PLAY



What Happened?

The 1st place trophy has been stolen! Rumor has it that it's somewhere on the school's campus. Help figure out where the trophy is and solve the mystery!

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



Clue #1: Find It!

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look X pat	trophy nut	not hum	water X bat
track X log	ball X pan	at zip	kid X van
a bag	wet X sip	run X hop	race tan

Write the phrase on the line. Cross the wrong place off your list.

TROPHY NOT AT A RACE

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Solve the clues to figure out where the missing trophy is located.

X Baseball Field	X Football Field	X Tennis Court	X Swimming Pool
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Each time students solve a clue, it will reveal what places to cross out.

When all clues are completed, the mystery of the missing trophy 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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jug	rub	met
bad	fix	dog
lid	gap	pal

How many words were correct?

More green answers = Cross out the places where you kick a ball.
More red answers = Cross out the places where you need a racket or glove.

All clues focus on reviewing CVC words!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



Print & Digital Forms

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3 Clue Version

- There is one ball in this sport if there are:
 - 2 yellow shirts
 - 3 red shirts
 - 3 green shirts
 - 2 blue shirts
- The trophy is not in water if there are:
 - 2 yellow shirts
 - 3 red shirts
 - 2 green shirts
 - 3 blue shirts
- The trophy is not on a court if there are:
 - 3 yellow shirts
 - 3 red shirts
 - 2 green shirts
 - 2 blue shirts
- There is no ball in this sport if there are:
 - 3 yellow shirts
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5 Clue Version

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dip log dog slip ham

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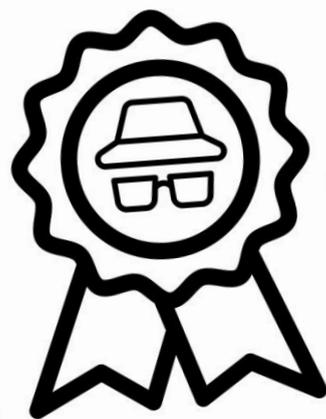
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Short & Long Options

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



The Detective Agency sends congratulations to:



Lindsay

You solved the mystery!

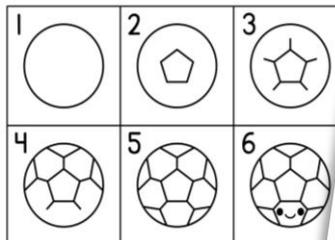
11/2
Date

AW
Presented by:

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

LET'S DRAW...

a soccer ball



THE LIFETIME LEARNER

LET'S DRAW...
volleyball



THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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
Circle all the rhyming pairs.

How many rhyming pairs did you see?
• 5 = feet • 7 = toe
• 6 = hands • 8 = neck

You use your hands
to play this sport.

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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.

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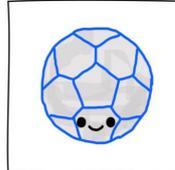
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WHAT MAKES READING MYSTERIES UNIQUE?

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

Clue #1: Find It!
Circle the boxes that are true.
Read the words you circled from left to right like a book to solve the clue.

look X	trophy	not	water X
ball	pan X	at	kid X
a	wet X	run X	race

Write the phrase on the line. Cross the wrong place off your list.
TROPHY NOT AT A RACE

Example of Clue 1

Math

Clue #1: Fill in the Blank
Find ten more or ten less.

118	8	89	58	28	78
88	87	18	39	98	83
108	38	48	81	85	68

Answer: Word: 58 The 38+10 48 located 28+10 38 kick
98-10 88 trophy 18-10 8 somewhere 8+10 18 a
78-10 68 isn't 88+10 98 you 68+10 78 ball

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 column 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!

