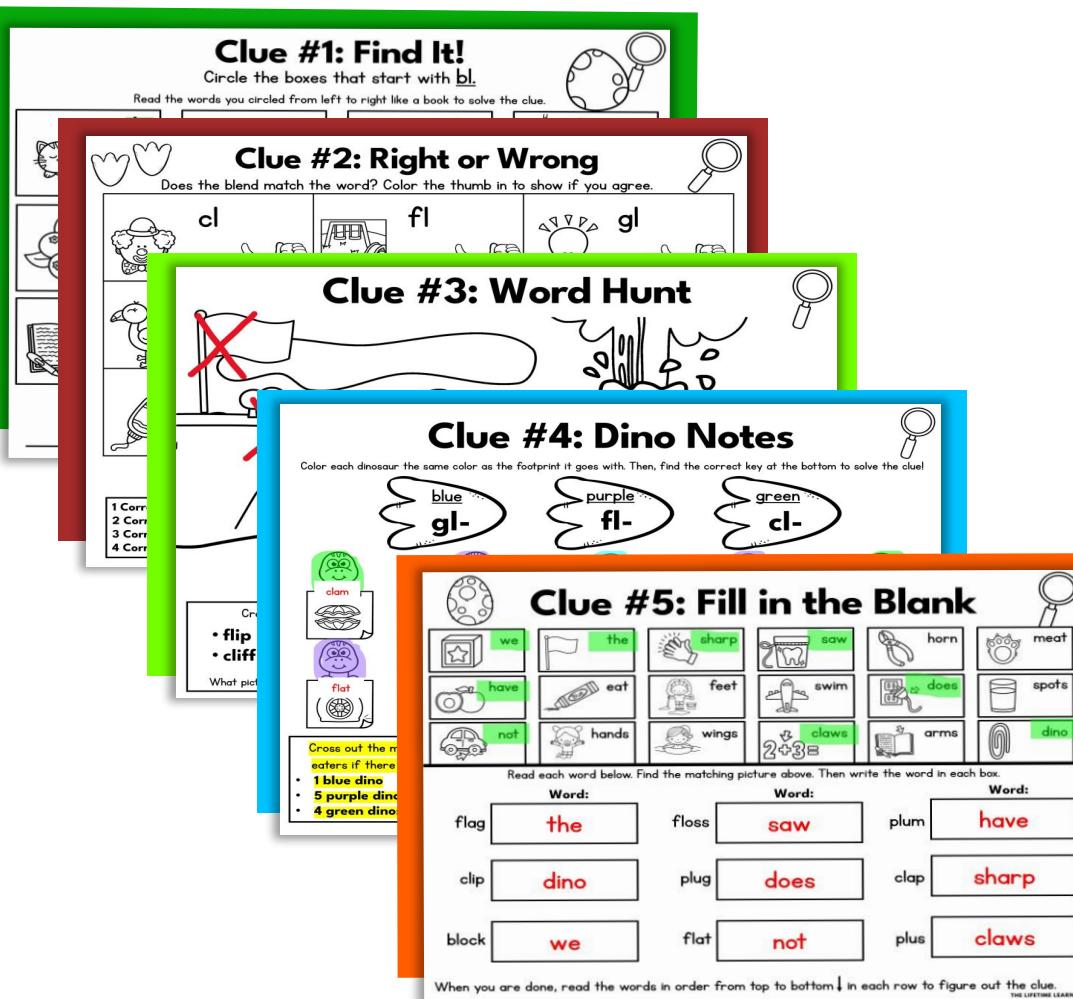
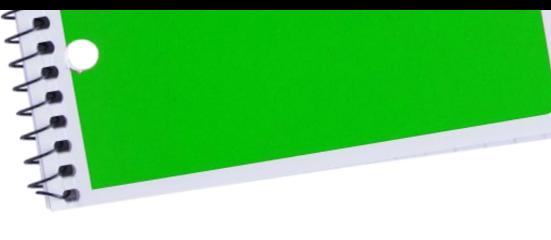


WHAT IS THIS?



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Read the words you circled from left to right like a book to solve the clue.

Clue #2: Right or Wrong
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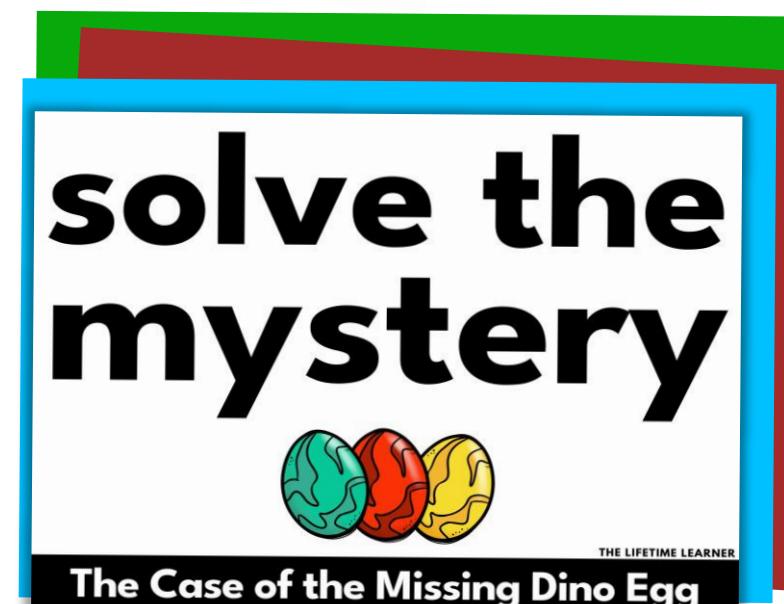
Clue #3: Word Hunt

Clue #4: Dino Notes
Color each dinosaur the same color as the footprint it goes with. Then, find the correct key at the bottom to solve the clue!

Clue #5: Fill in the Blank
Read each word below. Find the matching picture above. Then write the word in each box.
Word: flag Word: floss Word: plum Word: have
Word: clip Word: plug Word: does Word: sharp
Word: block Word: we Word: flat Word: not
Word: plus Word: claws

Cross out the meat eaters if there:
• 1 blue dino
• 5 purple dino
• 4 green dino

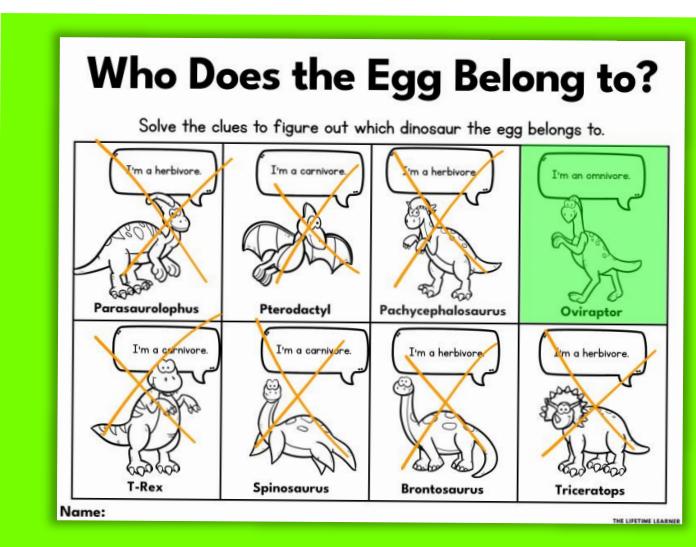
When you are done, read the words in order from top to bottom in each row to figure out the clue.



solve the mystery

The Case of the Missing Dino Egg

THE LIFETIME LEARNER



Who Does the Egg Belong to?

Solve the clues to figure out which dinosaur the egg belongs to.

 I'm a herbivore. Parasaurolophus	 I'm a carnivore. Pterodactyl	 I'm a herbivore. Pachycephalosaurus	 I'm an omnivore. Oviraptor
 I'm a carnivore. T-Rex	 I'm a carnivore. Spinosaurus	 I'm a herbivore. Brontosaurus	 I'm a herbivore. Triceratops

Name: _____

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Students complete a series of clues to figure out who the egg belongs to!



HOW TO PLAY



What Happened?

An egg fell out of its nest. Your mission is to figure out which dinosaur the egg belongs to so you can put the egg back in the correct nest. Solve the clues to figure out what dinosaur the egg belongs to and solve the mystery!

1. Take a dinosaur list and then start solving each clue.
2. Each time you solve a clue, you will get closer to discovering which dinosaur the egg belongs to.
3. Cross out wrong dinosaurs each time you find out new information. Good luck!



THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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

the	cute	dino	egg
does	wings	not	have
short	long	neck	

Write the phrase on the line. Cross the wrong dinosaur off your list.
The dino does not have a long neck

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Who Does the Egg Belong to?

Solve the clues to figure out which dinosaur the egg belongs to.

I'm a herbivore.	I'm a carnivore.	I'm a herbivore	I'm an omnivore.
Parasaurolophus	Pterodactyl	Pachycephalosaurus	Oviraptor
I'm a carnivore.	I'm a carnivore.	I'm a herbivore	I'm a herbivore.
T-Rex	Spinosaurus	Brontosaurus	Triceratops

Name:

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

Each time students solve a clue, it will reveal what dinosaur to cross out. When all clues are completed, the mystery of the dinosaur egg will be solved!

SKILL PRACTICE



Beginning L Blends:

- Identify Blends
- Beginning Sounds
- Blending Words
- BL, CL, GL, PL
- Match Picture To Blend
- Onset And Rime

All clues focus on reviewing beginning L blends!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



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

Clue #2: Right or Wrong
Does the blend match the word? Color the thumb in to show if you agree.

Clue #3: Word Hunt
Cross out the following pictures:
• flip • block • clam
• cliff • plum • flag
What picture is left? Write that word on the line.

3 Clue Version

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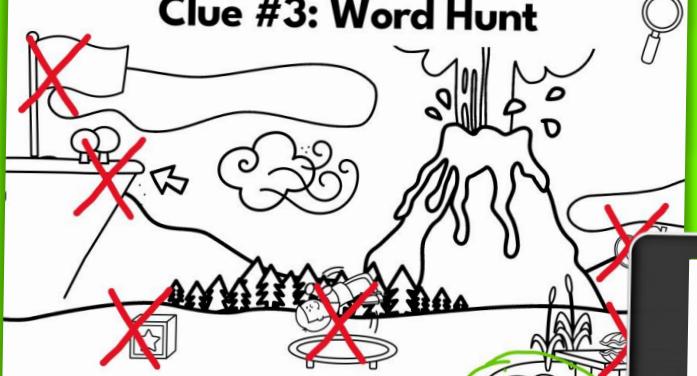
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5 Clue Version

Print & Digital Forms

Clue #3: Word Hunt



Cross out the following pictures:
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What picture is left? Write that word on the line.

Clue #3: Word Hunt



Cross out the following pictures:
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Short & Long Options

CVC OPTION AVAILABLE



Who Does the Egg Belong to?

Solve the clues to figure out which dinosaur the egg belongs to.

 Parasaurolophus	 Pterodactyl	 Pachycephalosaurus	 Oviraptor
 T-Rex	 Spinosaurus	 Brontosaurus	 Triceratops

Clues:

- I'm a herbivore.
- I'm a carnivore.
- I'm a herbivore.
- I'm an omnivore.
- I'm a carnivore.
- I'm a carnivore.
- I'm a herbivore.
- I'm a herbivore.

Name: _____

THE LIFETIME LEARNER



Clue #1: Find It!
Circle the boxes that end with t.

Read the words you circled from left to right like a book to solve the clue.

the	cute	dine
re d	pe t	fe d
dose	wings	not
me t	ge m	ge t
short	long	

Clue #2: Right or Wrong
Does the picture match the word? Color the thumb up to show if you agree.

fox	hop	rob
fog	pot	mom
rod	pod	job

Clue #3: Word Hunt
Cross out the following pictures:

Clue #4: Dino Notes
Color each dinosaur the same color as the footprint it goes with. Then, find the correct key at the bottom to solve the clue!

blue	purple	green
-ub	-ug	-un

Clue #5: Fill in the Blank
Read each word below. Find the matching picture above. Then write the word in each box.

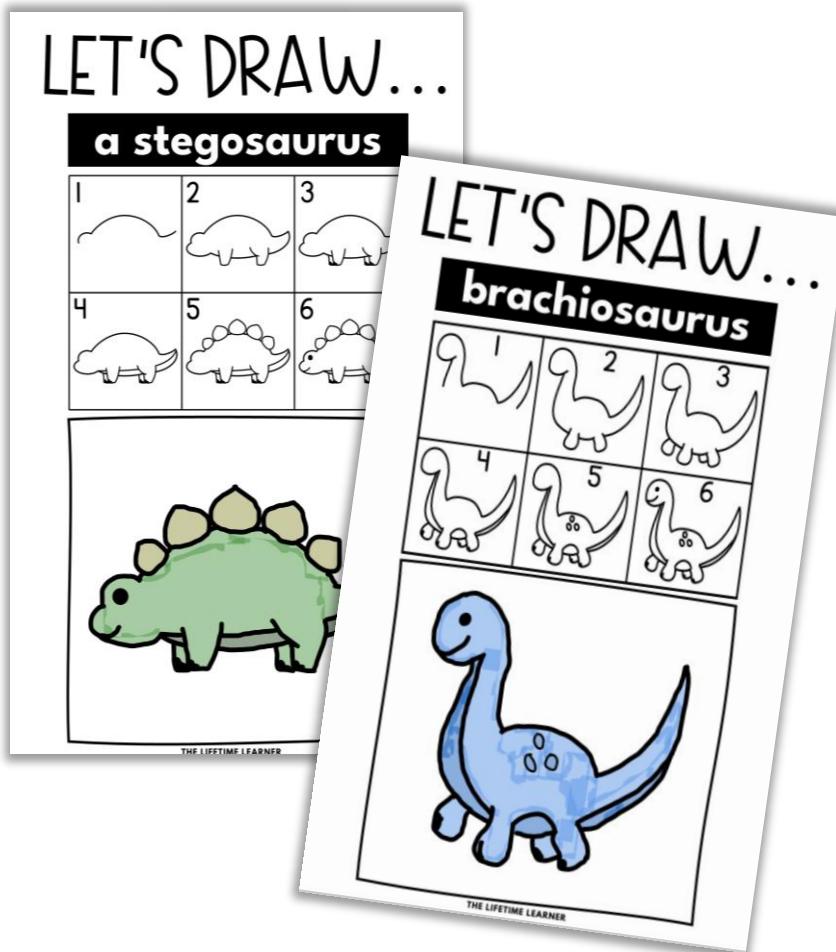
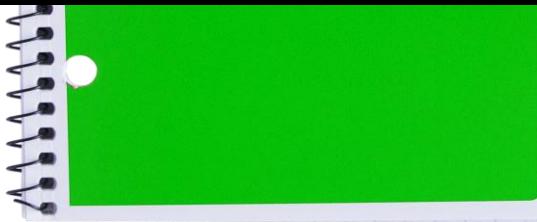
lip	the	sharp	saw	win
dip	eat	feet	swim	have
fix	hands	wings	claws	do
pin	claws	arms	sharp	hit
zip	we	dino	rip	claws
not	pin	we	does	we
claws	not	rip	we	fix

When you are done, read the words in order from top to bottom in each row to figure out the clue.

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



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
- 2 Versions: Phonics Review OR CVC Words. You can even mix/match clues to combine the 2 skills together.

Clue #4: Dino Notes

Color each dinosaur the same color as the footprint it goes with. Then, find the correct key at the bottom to solve the clue!

blue	purple	green
gl-	fl-	cl-
clam	flip	glass
flat	flip flop	clap
(globe)		

Cross out the meat-eaters if there are:

- 1 blue dino
- 5 purple dinos
- 4 green dinos

Cross out the smallest dinos if there are:

- 1 blue dino
- 4 purple dinos
- 5 green dinos

Cross out the veggie-eaters if there are:

- 2 blue dinos
- 5 purple dinos
- 3 green dinos

Cross out the largest dinos if there are:

- 2 blue dinos
- 6 purple dinos
- 2 green dinos

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

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

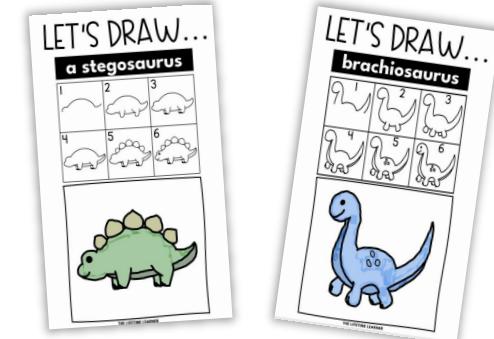
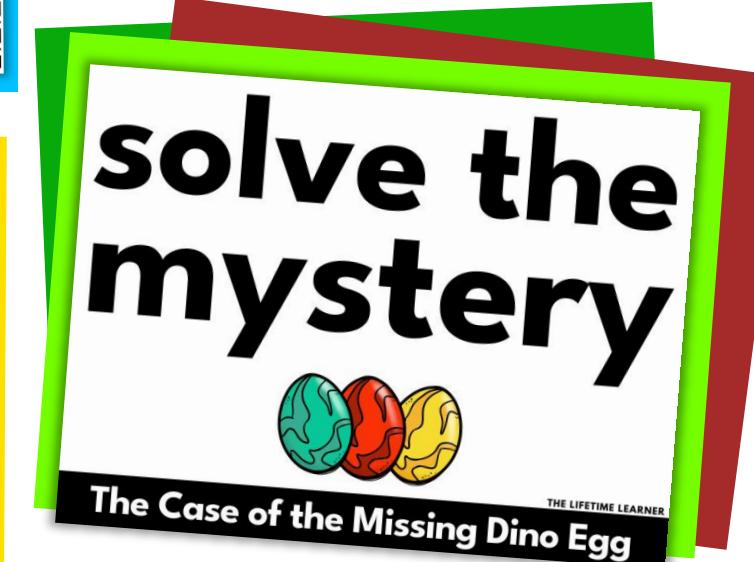
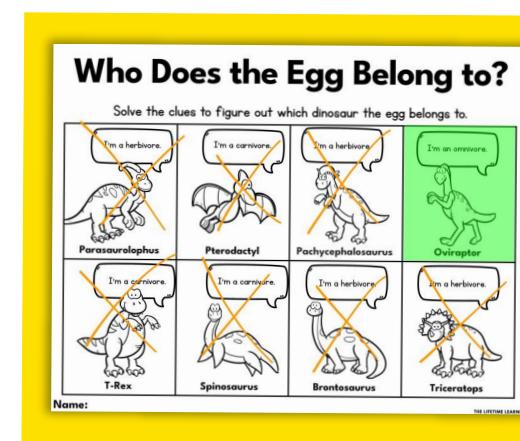
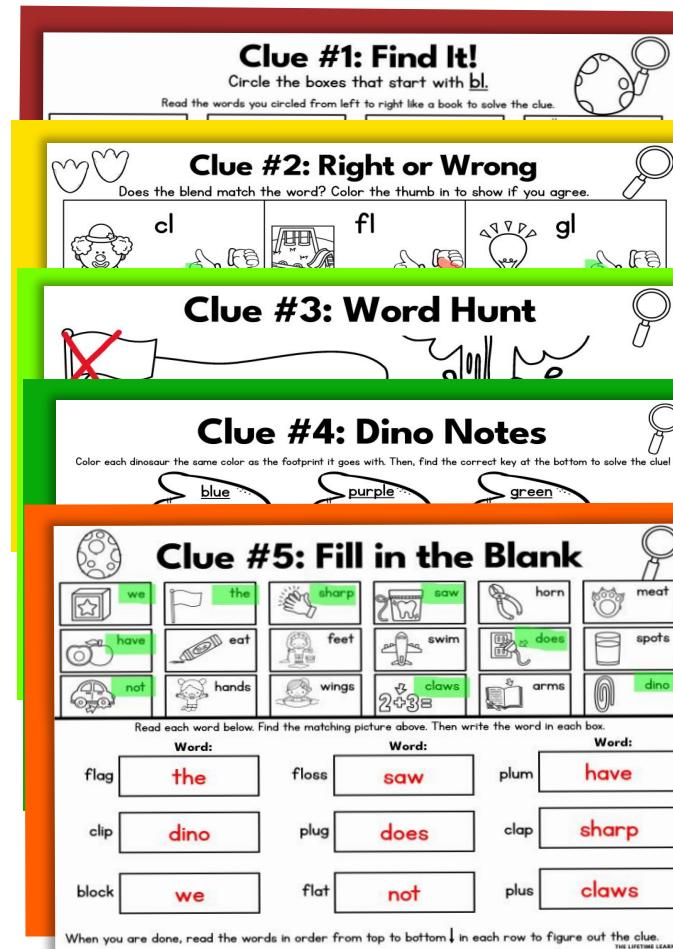
Students will need teacher support to read & understand the clues/directions.

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.

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



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

Example of Clue 1

Math

Clue #1: Find It!
Circle the boxes that start with **bl**.

Read the words you circled from left to right like a book to solve the clue.

the **cute** **dino** **egg**
wings **not** **have**
short **long** **neck**
book **ding**

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

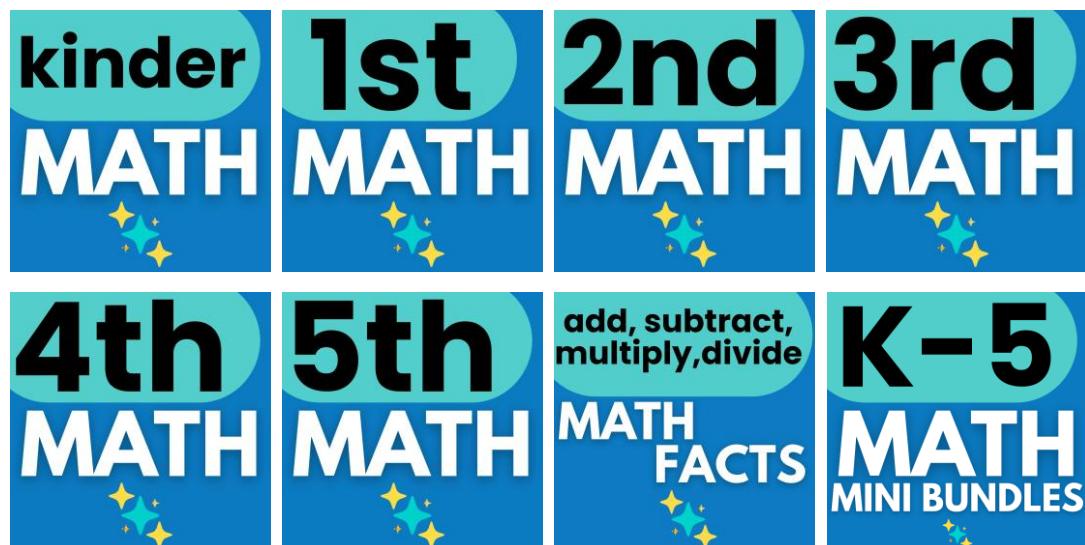
The dino does not have a long neck

Clue #1:			
Cross out the dinosaur with the biggest answer on your recording sheet.			
$1+1=$  +  <u><u>2</u></u>	$0+2=$  +  <u><u>2</u></u>	$1+2=$  +  <u><u>3</u></u>	$2+3=$  +   +   +   +  <u><u>5</u></u>
$0+1=$  +  <u><u>1</u></u>	$2+2=$  +   +  <u><u>4</u></u>	$1+0=$  +  <u><u>1</u></u>	$2+1=$  +   +  <u><u>3</u></u>

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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