

WHAT IS THIS?



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Write the phrase on the line. Cross the wrong place off your list.
boss does not like the water



solve the mystery

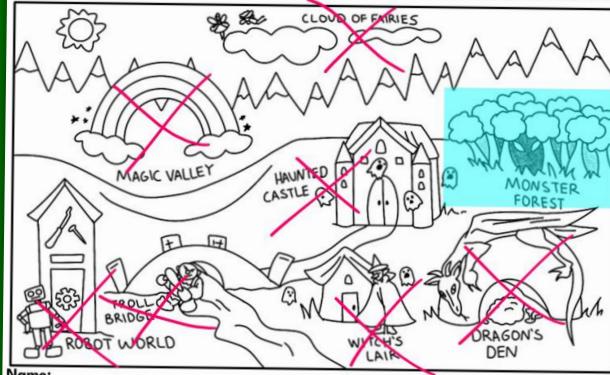


The Case of the Video Game Boss

THE LIFETIME LEARNER

The Video Game World

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CLOUD OF FAIRIES
MAGIC VALLEY
HAUNTED CASTLE
MONSTER FOREST
ROLL BRIDGE
ROBOT WORLD
WIZARD'S LAIR
DRAGON'S DEN

Name: _____

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Students complete a series of clues to figure out where the video game boss is hiding!



HOW TO PLAY



What Happened?

The final boss of the video game is on the run! He doesn't want you to find him because he knows you will defeat him in the last level. Help track down where he is hiding by solving the clues.

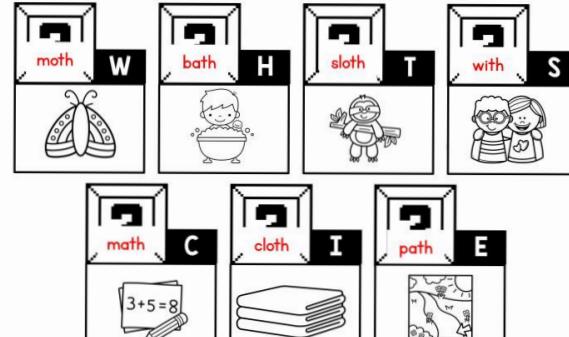
1. Take a video game map and then start solving each clue.
2. Each time you solve a clue, you will get closer to discovering where the final boss is.
3. Cross out wrong places each time you find out new information. Good luck!



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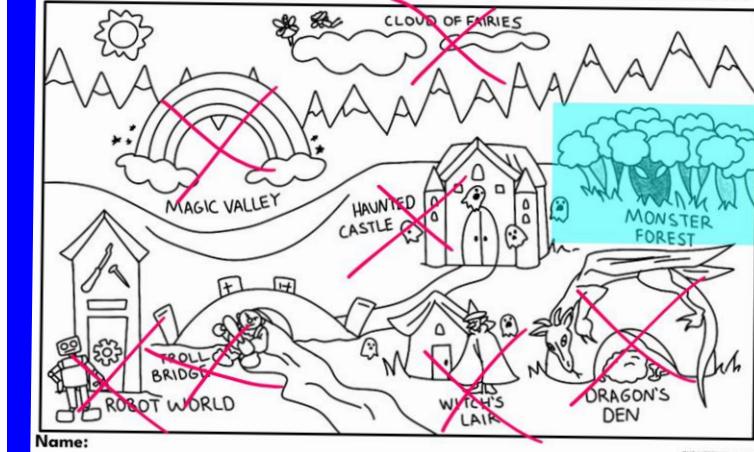
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W I T C H E S

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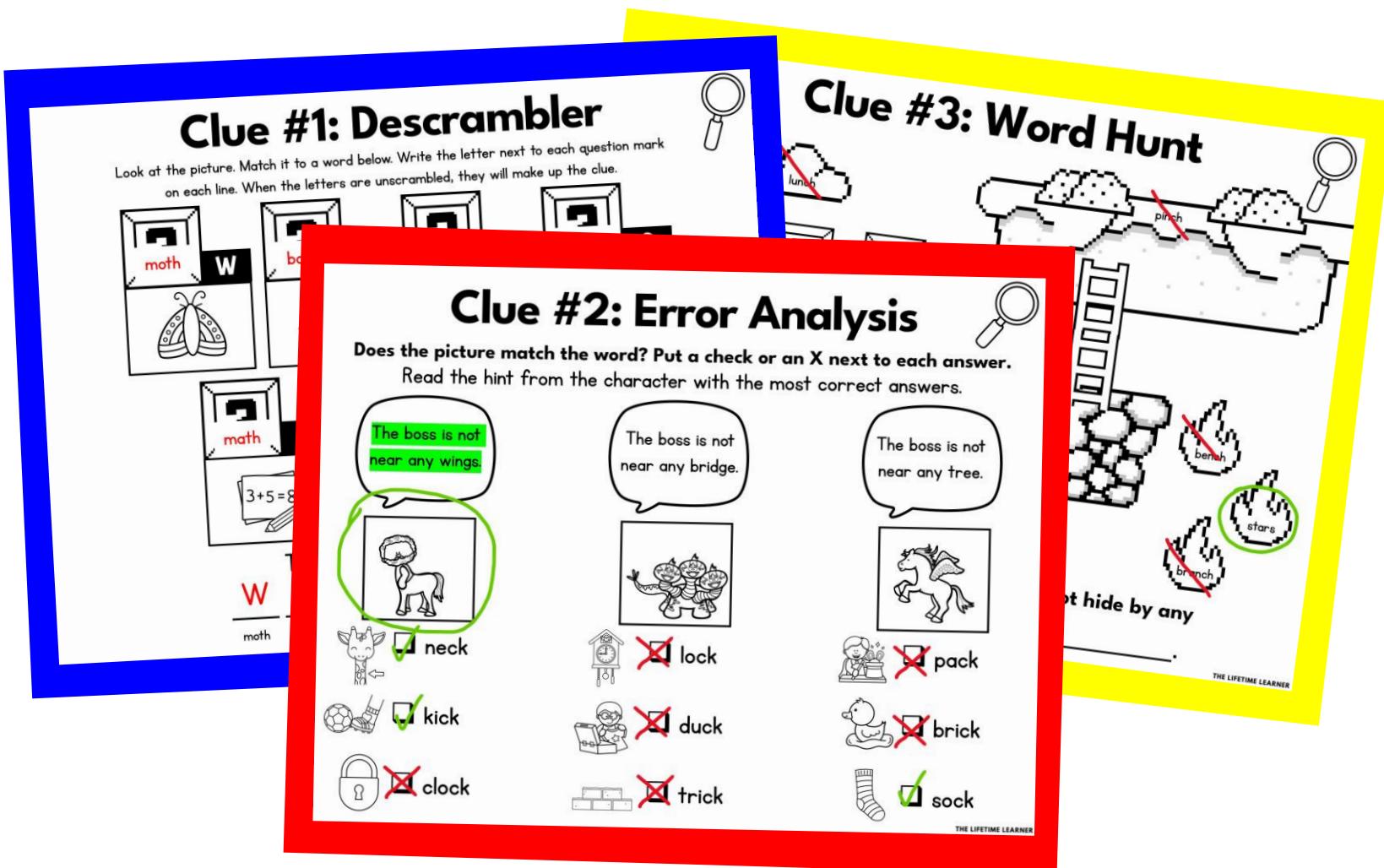
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Each time students solve a clue, it will reveal what place to cross out.

When all clues are completed, the mystery of the video game boss will be solved!

SKILL PRACTICE

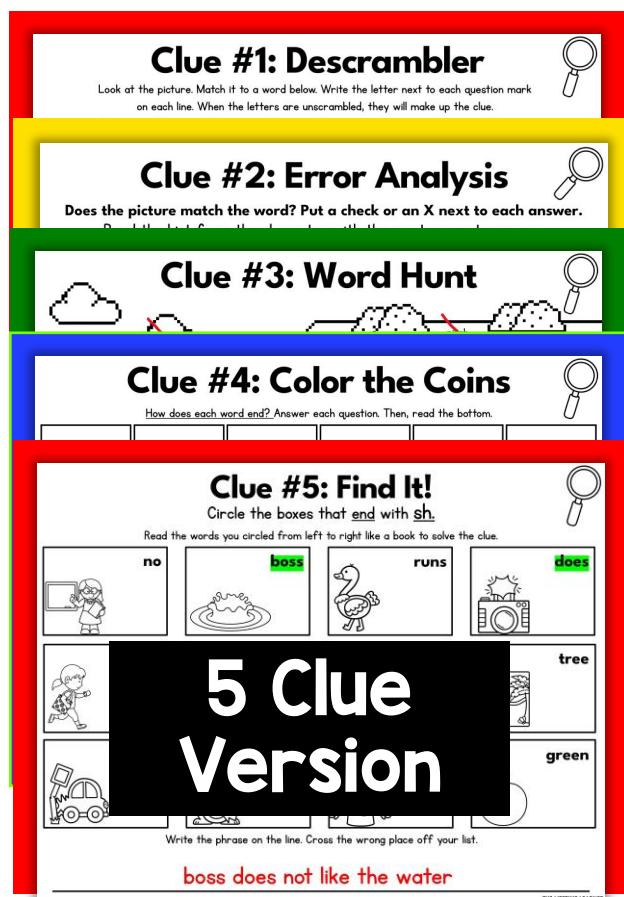
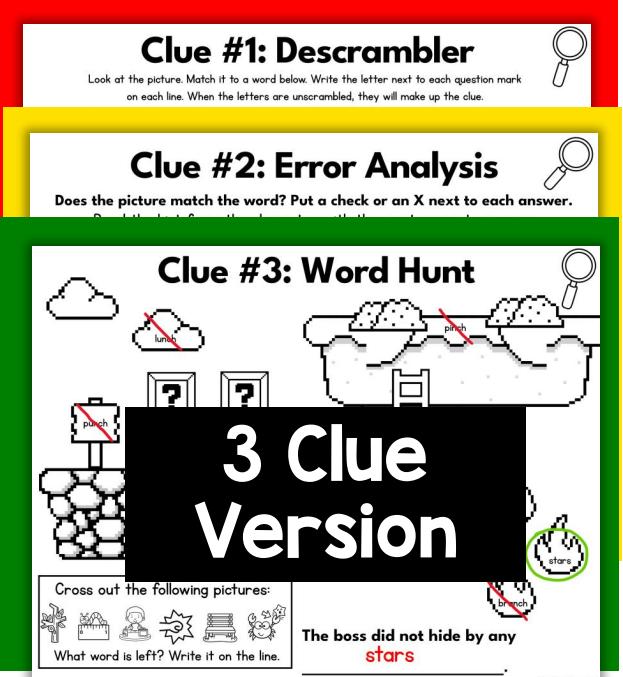


Ending Digraphs Review:

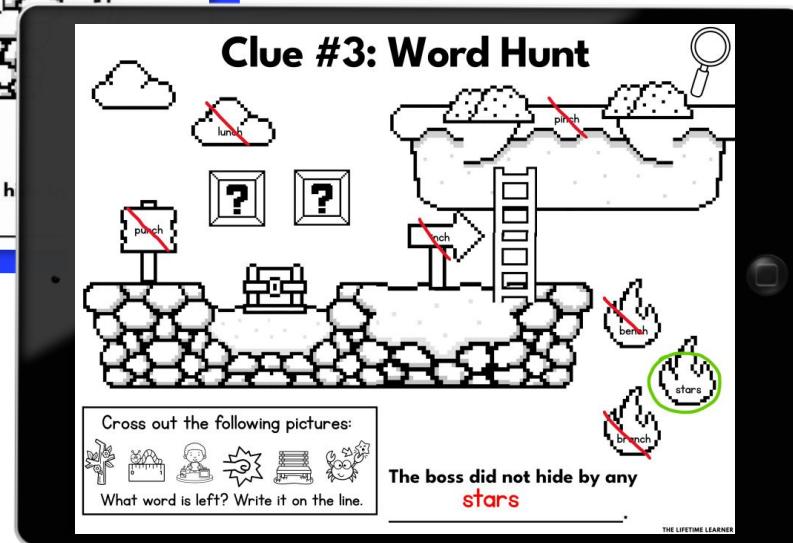
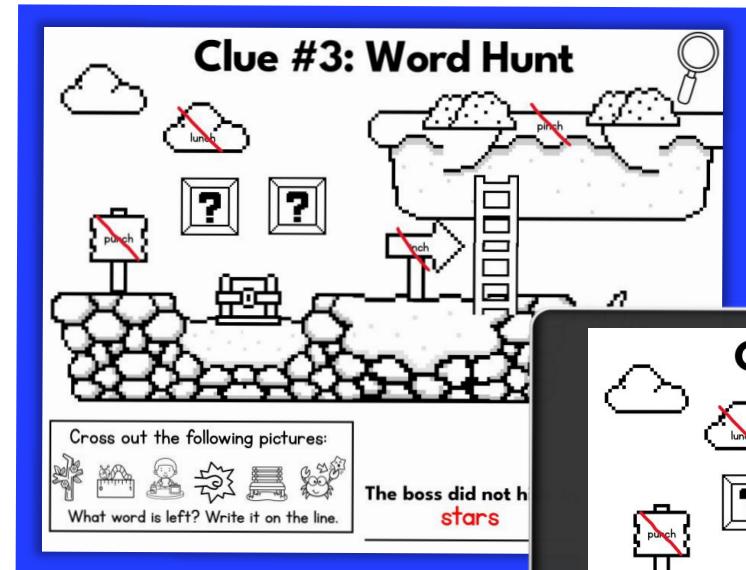
- TH, CK, CH, SH Words
- Error Analysis
- Identify the Digraph
- Differentiating Digraphs
- Digraphs in Isolation

All clues focus on reviewing ending digraphs!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS

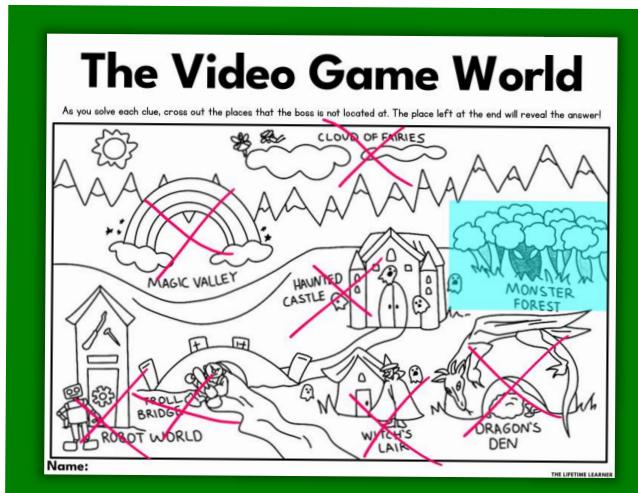


Print & Digital Forms



Short & Long Options

CVC OPTION AVAILABLE

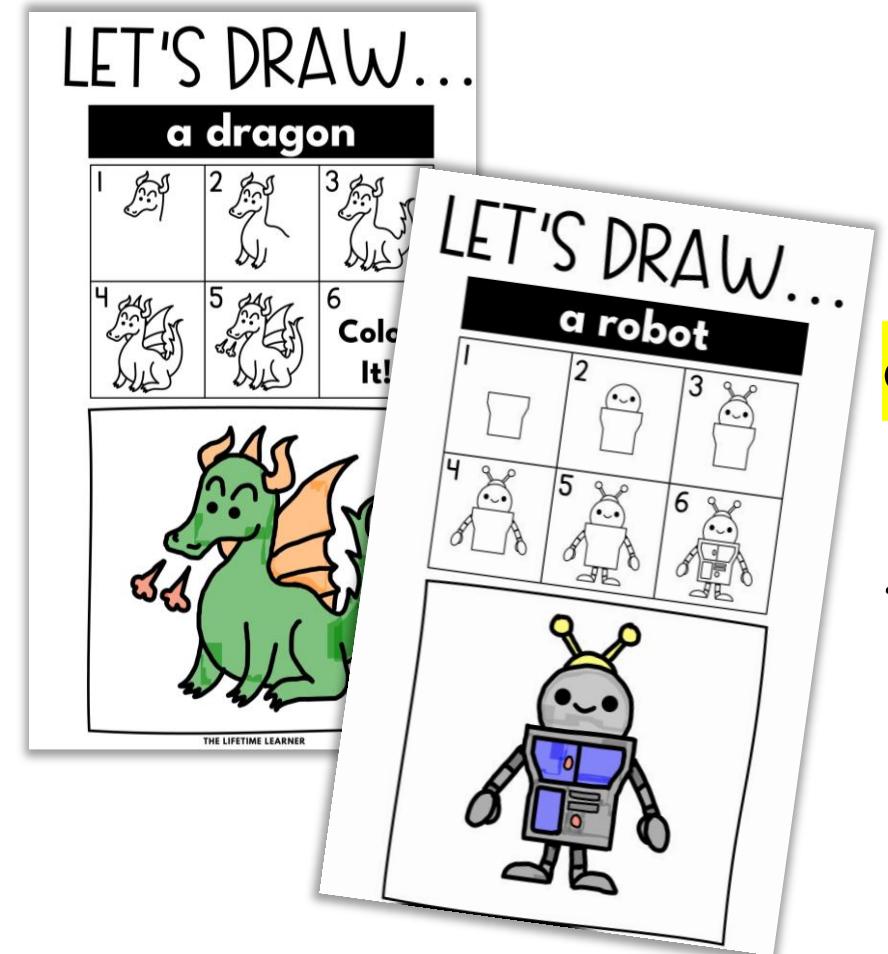
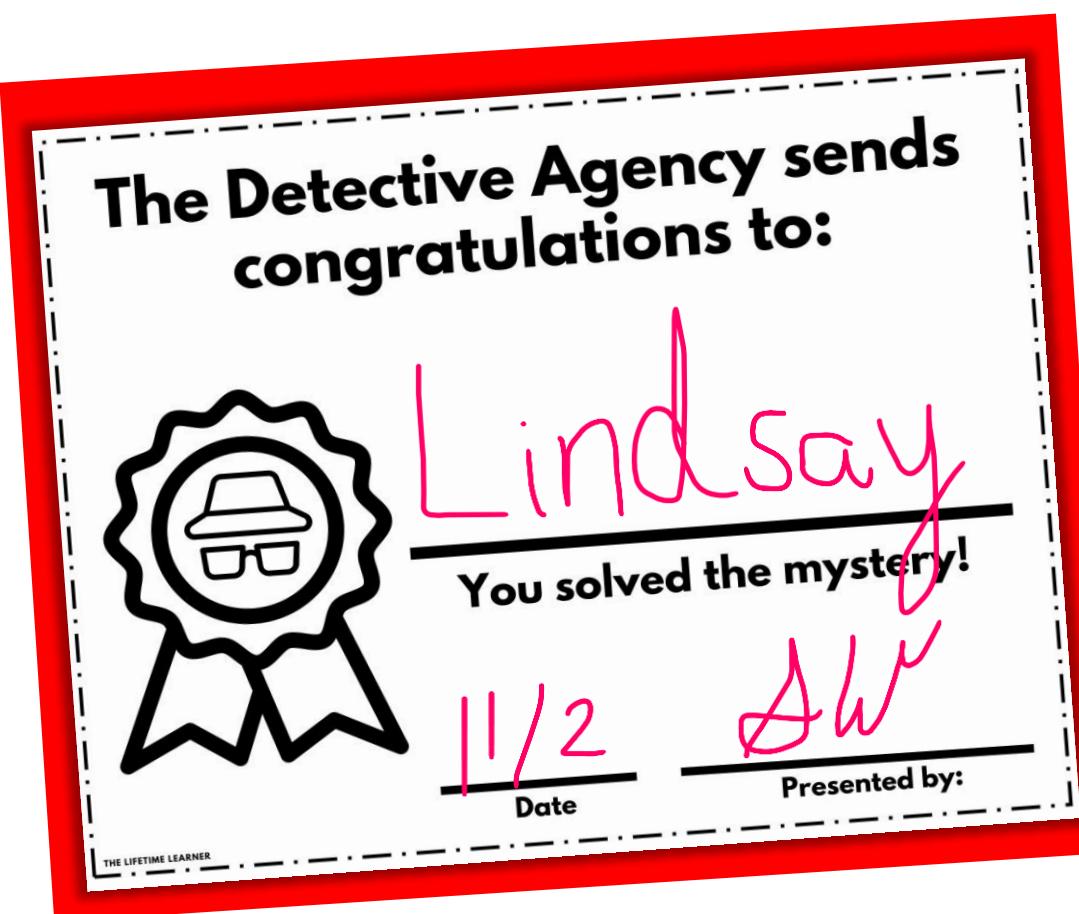


Differentiate within your small groups. Same clues. Same mystery. Different focus!

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: Color the Coins

How does each word end? Answer each question. Then, read the bottom.

What color coins do you see? Find the key that matches for your next hint!

• 3 red coins • 2 yellow coins • 0 green coins • 1 blue coin The final boss likes being in the <u>sky</u> .	• 2 red coins • 3 yellow coins • 1 green coin • 0 blue coins The final boss likes being in a <u>home</u> .	• 3 red coins • 2 yellow coins • 1 green coin • 0 blue coins The final boss likes being <u>out in nature</u> .	• 3 red coins • 1 yellow coin • 2 green coins • 0 blue coins The final boss likes being by the <u>water</u> .
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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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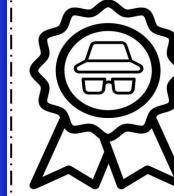
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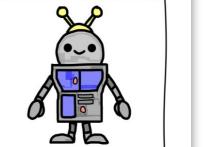
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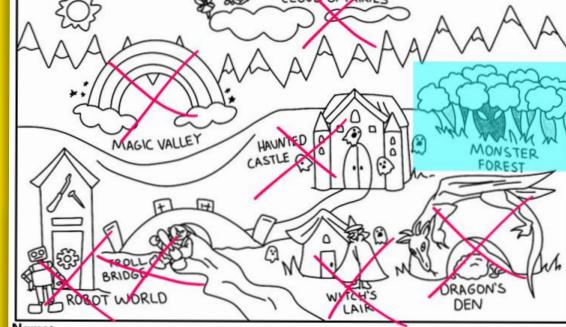
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The Detective Agency sends congratulations to:

Lindsay
You solved the mystery!
11/2 SW
Date Presented by:

LET'S DRAW... a dragon
1 2 3
4 5 6 Color It!


LET'S DRAW... a robot
1 2 3
4 5 6


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Name: **THE LIFETIME LEARNER**

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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

Example of Clue 1

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	W		H		T		S
	C		I		E		
							

The final boss is scared of **W I T C H E S**

math cloth sloth math bath path with

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Math

Clue #1: Number Lines

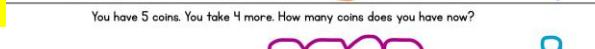
Tell how many are in each box. Then, read the bottom.

GAMER

You catch 4 monsters. Then you catch 4 monsters. How many monsters did you catch in all?  8

Jerry has 2 video games. He gets 7 more. How many video games does Jerry have now?  9

You have \$3 to buy video games. You get \$4 more. How much money do you have now?  7

You have 5 coins. You take 4 more. How many coins do you have now?  9

The final boss is not hiding...

What answer do you see the most?

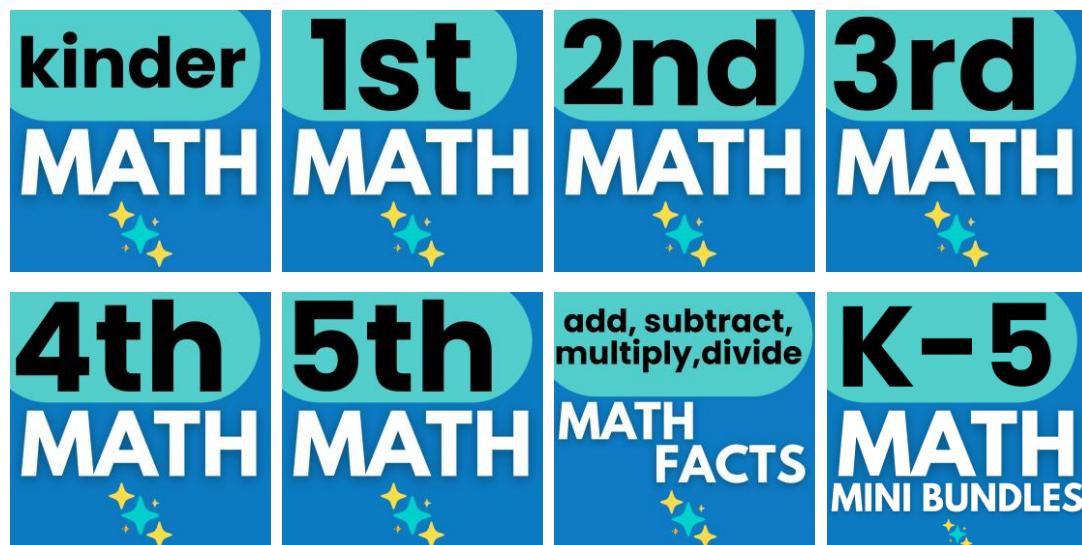
7: in trees
8: in a cave
10: with water

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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!

