

# WHAT IS THIS?

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beanstalk    tall    pigs    climbs    kindly

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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.

 3 Little Pigs	 Goldilocks	 Little Red Riding Hood	 Little Red Hen
 Jack and the Beanstalk	 Gingerbread Man	 Mary Had a Little Lamb	 Humpty Dumpty

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!



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<b>near</b> giant dwarf	<del>has</del> <del>spell</del> <del>magic</del>	<b>brick</b> king servant	<b>stick</b> curse cure
<del>up</del> <del>sword</del> <del>blade</del>	<b>straw</b> prince princess	<del>down</del> <del>wizard</del> <del>sorcerer</del>	<del>egg</del> <del>forest</del> <del>woods</del>

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

*princess not near brick stick straw*

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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

## Parts of Speech Review:

- Nouns
- Verbs
- Adjectives
- Adverbs
- Prepositions

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hero			
villain			
<b>near</b>			
giant			
dwarf			
<del>up</del>			
<del>sword</del>			
<del>blade</del>			

Write the phrase or sentence that the clue describes.

**princess**

**Clue #2: Right or Wrong**

Does the **prepositional phrase** used in each sentence match the picture? Color the thumb in to show if you agree.

I saw the gingerbread man running between his house and a tree!	I saw the gingerbread man run through his house to go see Humpty Dumpty!	I saw the gingerbread man hide from the 3 Little Pigs in the house!
 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
I saw the gingerbread man stop in front of the house to say hi to Mary!	I saw the gingerbread man next to house talking to Goldilocks.	I saw the gingerbread man jump above the house and laugh at us!
 <b>around</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I saw the gingerbread man hop on top of the house with Little Red Hen!	I saw the gingerbread man trapped under the house with Jack!	I saw Little Red Riding Hood throw the gingerbread man over the house!
 <b>In front of</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

How many boxes 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 verb each picture shows. Circle the right answer. Then read the bottom.

			
A. eat	A. clap	A. clap	A. clap
	B. swing	B. swing	B. swing
	C. hop	C. hop	C. hop
	D. collect	D. collect	D. collect

How many Ds did you circle?

1 D = **treats**

2 Ds = **door**

3 Ds = **girls**

4 Ds = **boys**

**All clues focus on reviewing parts of speech!**

# 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.

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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**5 Clue Version**

The princess did not go into any beanstalk if: • 2 red clouds • 3 yellow clouds • 2 green clouds • 3 blue clouds	The princess did not go into any beanstalk if: • 3 red clouds • 3 yellow clouds • 2 green clouds • 2 blue clouds	The princess did not go into any beanstalk if: • 2 red clouds • 2 yellow clouds • 3 green clouds • 3 blue clouds	How many clouds did you see? • 2 red clouds • 3 yellow clouds • 3 green clouds • 2 blue clouds
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**Clue #4: Word Hunt**  
Fill in the first letter of each adverb.

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

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- C = kid

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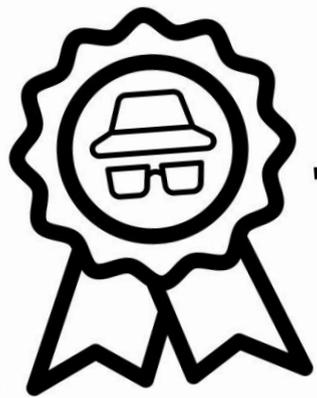
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Short & Long Options

# FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY

The Detective Agency sends congratulations to:



Lindsay

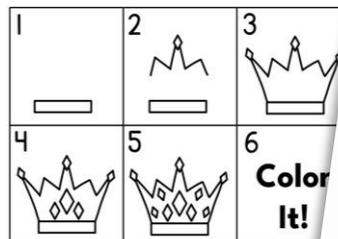
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11/2  
Date

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.

# GRAMMAR MYSTERY BENEFITS

- No Prep
- Print and Digital Versions
- 3 & 5 Clue Options
- Fun and Engaging
- Easy to Differentiate
- Encourages Critical Thinking
- Aligns with Grammar Standards
- Perfect for Review Days

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This works well for grades 2-5 in partners, teams, or even in small groups at the teacher table!

# WHY TEACHERS LOVE THESE!

Ordinary grammar worksheets can be boring and unoriginal.

You want activities that are fun and engaging, but also rigorous and meaningful to student learning.

**GRAMMAR MYSTERIES ARE EXACTLY WHAT YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR!**

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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

Math

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<del>up</del> sword blade	<del>has</del> spell magic	<b>brick</b> king servant	<b>stick</b> curse cure
<del>up</del> sword blade	<b>straw</b> prince princess	<del>down</del> wizard sorcerer	<del>egg</del> forest woods

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

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**Clue 1: Color the Pigs**

Solve each word problem about the 3 Little Pigs. Color the pigs based on your answers.

<p>The three little pigs have 85 bricks. They lose 18. How many do they have now?</p> $\begin{array}{r} 85 \\ -18 \\ \hline 67 \end{array}$	<p>The three little pigs bake 26 cookies in the morning and 45 at night. How many cookies did they bake in all?</p> $\begin{array}{r} 26 \\ +45 \\ \hline 71 \end{array}$	<p>The three little pigs have 52 barrels of hay. Then, they get 13 more. How many barrels of hay do they have now?</p> $\begin{array}{r} 52 \\ +13 \\ \hline 65 \end{array}$	<p>The three little pigs have 79 eggs. They lose 34. How many eggs do they have now?</p> $\begin{array}{r} 79 \\ -34 \\ \hline 45 \end{array}$
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What color pigs do you see? Find the key that matches for your next hint!

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 red pig</li><li>0 yellow pigs</li><li>0 green pigs</li><li>3 blue pigs</li></ul> <p>The missing princess is not with any eggs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 red pig</li><li>1 yellow pig</li><li>1 green pig</li><li>1 blue pig</li></ul> <p>The princess is not with any pigs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 red pig</li><li>1 yellow pig</li><li>2 green pigs</li><li>0 blue pigs</li></ul> <p>The princess is not around any gingerbread.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1 red pig</li><li>1 yellow pig</li><li>0 green pigs</li><li>2 blue pigs</li></ul> <p>The princess is not around any beanstalks.</p>
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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.



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