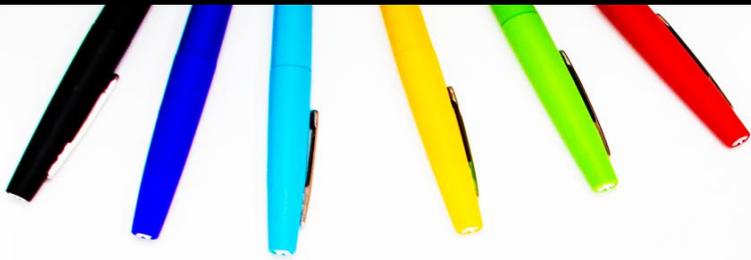


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solve the mystery

The Case of the Missing Trophy

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

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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. Solve the clues to 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!



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• confusedly (A)	• biggest (O)	• safely (E)	• missing (T)	• trophy (A)

The school (1) gym (N) was filled with excitement on Championship Day. The Rockets, the school's basketball team, were getting ready for the (2) biggest (O) game of the year. Fans waved signs and (3) cheered (T) from the stands. But when the coach opened the trophy case, the (4) golden (A) trophy was (5) missing (T).

Where is it?" shouted Ava. The players looked around (6) confusedly (A) when they found heard the news. "We need to find it before the game starts," the coach said. The team searched everywhere. Liam looked under the bleachers. Jada peeked behind the snack table. Noah even climbed onto the stage to look.

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The mascot pulled it out and laughed. The crowd clapped and the Rockets ran onto the court (9) ready (C) to play. This time, they had the trophy waiting (10) safely (E) on the sidelines.

The trophy is:

N O T A T A R A C E

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

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When all clues are completed, the mystery of the missing trophy will be solved!

SKILL PRACTICE

Parts of Speech Review:

- Nouns
- Verbs
- Adjectives
- Adverbs
- Prepositions

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They will hit the volleyball before it <u>touches</u> the ground. verb	She dove across the court to save the point for <u>his</u> team. pronoun	The team <u>works</u> hard during practice to improve their skills. verb
The <u>teammates</u> cheer loudly after every single point. noun	She sets the ball <u>carefully</u> so her partner can spike it. adverb	The referee makes a decision after watching the play <u>closely</u> . adverb

How many boxes 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.

Clue #3: Sports Shirts
same color as the whistle they go with. Then, find the correct key at the bottom to solve the clue!

Whistle: blue (adjectives)

Key: blue (pronouns)

Whistle: red (nouns)

Key: loud (adjectives)

Whistle: yellow (verbs)

Key: play (verbs)

Whistle: green (adjectives)

Key: they (pronouns)

There is no ball in this sport if there are:
• 3 yellow shirts
• 2 red shirts
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All clues focus on reviewing parts of speech!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



Print & Digital Forms

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3 Clue Version

she they
coach play

There is one ball in this sport if there are:
• 2 yellow shirts
• 3 red shirts
• 3 green shirts
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The trophy is not in water if there are:
• 2 yellow shirts
• 3 red shirts
• 2 green shirts
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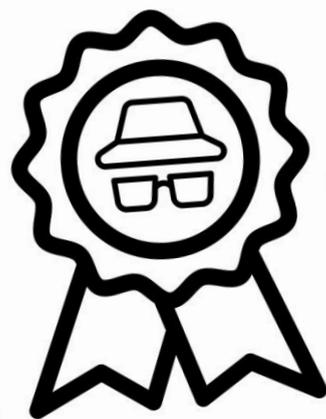
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Short & Long Options

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



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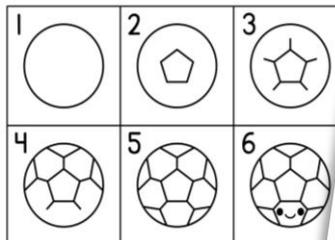
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LET'S DRAW...

a soccer ball



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LET'S DRAW...
volleyball



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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



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- 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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The fan cheers.
The coach instructs us.
The boy tied his shoe.
She watches them closely.
She swiftly throws her hands up.
The ref blew it sharply.
He tried to make a goal.
Our teammate focused.
She kicks the ball.
The player runs quickly.
The girl celebrates happily.
The two suddenly trip.
He injured his foot.

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

You use your hands to play this sport.

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

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N E A R A H O O P

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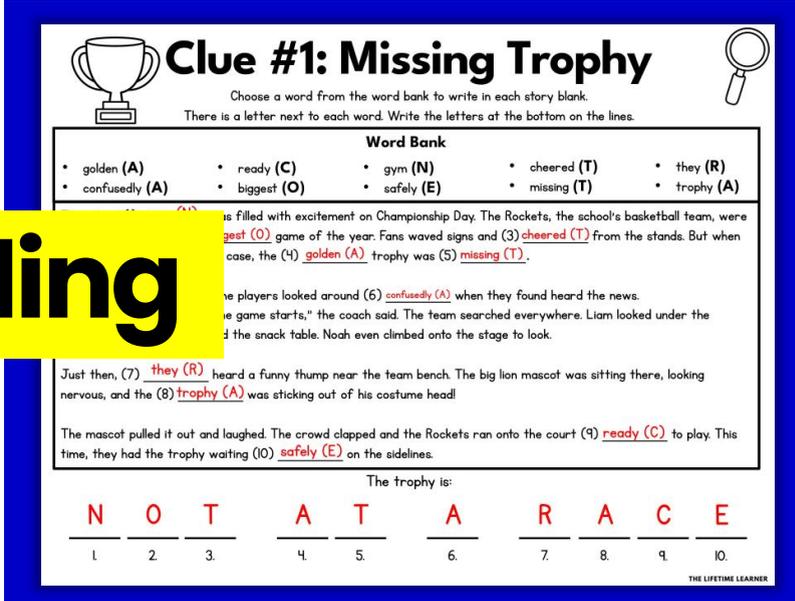
Reading Mysteries aren't just a copy of Math Mysteries!

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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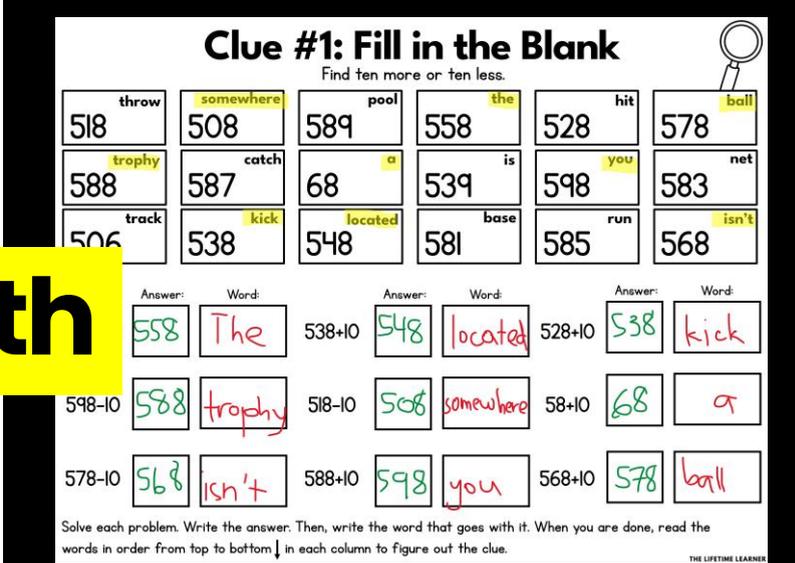
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

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Example of Clue 1

Math



Clue #1: Fill in the Blank

Find ten more or ten less.

throw	somewhere	pool	the	hit	ball
518	508	589	558	528	578
trophy	catch	a	is	you	net
588	587	68	539	598	583
track	kick	located	base	run	isn't
506	538	548	581	585	568

Answer: Word: 558 The 538+10 548 located 528+10 538 kick

598-10 588 trophy 518-10 508 somewhere 58+10 68 a

578-10 568 isn't 588+10 598 you 568+10 578 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.

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