

# WHAT IS THIS?



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 nouns A. roller coaster B. cotton candy C. crowded D. theme park	 adverbs A. loudly B. cheerfully C. quickly D. nervously	 adjectives A. exciting B. thrilling C. fun D. parade	 verbs A. slide B. suriously C. clap D. wave
 pronouns A. we B. they C. she D. girl	 verbs A. game B. shout C. win D. zoom	 nouns A. carousel B. ticket C. colorful D. gate	 adjectives A. tall B. boldly C. magical D. noisy

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**solve the mystery**

**The Case of the Missing Cotton Candy**

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**Where's the Cotton Candy?**

 Roller Coaster	 Ball Toss	 Popcorn Cart	 Ticket Booth
 Pirate Ship	 Merry-Go-Round	 Ferris Wheel	 Bumper Cars

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Students complete a series of clues to figure out where the cotton candy is!

# HOW TO PLAY

## What Happened?

Oh no! You accidentally left your cotton candy somewhere in the theme park and can't find it. Now, it's your job to search the park and find out where it is. Solve each clue to figure out the mystery. Every time you solve a clue, you will get closer to discovering where the cotton candy is! Good luck!

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



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verb		adjective	
The roller coaster zoomed down the track, and <u>everyone</u> screamed!	The roller coaster zoomed down the track, and everyone screamed!	The Ferris wheel stopped at the very top, and we could see the whole park.	The Ferris wheel stopped at the very top, and we could see the whole park.
noun		verb	
A splash of water soaked us as the log ride hit the bottom suddenly.	A splash of water soaked us as the log ride hit the bottom suddenly.	The smell of popcorn and cotton candy filled the air.	The smell of popcorn and cotton candy filled the air.
adjective		pronoun	
Bright lights flashed while the music played <u>loudly</u> all around.	Bright lights flashed while the music played loudly all around.	They laughed as the bumper cars crashed into each other.	They laughed as the bumper cars crashed into each other.
pronoun		noun	
The spinning teacups twirled so fast we felt dizzy.	The spinning teacups twirled so fast <u>we</u> felt dizzy.	Fireworks exploded above the castle and lit up the sky.	Fireworks exploded above the castle and lit up the sky.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

When all clues are completed, the mystery of the cotton candy will be solved!

# SKILL PRACTICE

## Parts of Speech Review:

- Nouns
- Verbs
- Adjectives
- Adverbs
- Prepositions

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#### verb



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The roller coaster zoomed down the track, and it screamed.

#### noun



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#### adjective



Bright lights flashed while the music played loudly all around.

Bright lights flashed while the music played loudly all around.

#### pronoun



The spinning teacups twirled so fast we felt dizzy.

The spinning teacups twirled so fast we felt so fast.

#### adjective

The Ferris wheel zoomed at the top of the park.

### Clue #2: The Missing Map

Choose a word from the word bank to write in each story blank. There is a letter next to each word. Write the letters at the bottom on the lines.

#### Word Bank

- behind (E)
- busiest (C)
- splashing (T)
- fastest (E)
- entrance (O)
- first (A)
- sticky (I)
- missing (R)
- bright (L)
- crumbled (O)
- clean (D)
- pockets (S)

It was the (1) busiest (C) day of the year at Wonder World Theme Park. The lines for the roller coasters stretched past the popcorn stand, and kids waved (2) bright (L) balloons in the air. Jaden and his friends raced through the (3) entrance (O) and were ready to ride everything. But just as they got to the center of the park, Jaden stopped.

"My park map is gone!" he said, checking his (4) pockets (S). "I had it this morning!" The friends searched everywhere. They peeked under benches, looked (5) behind (E) snack carts, and even checked the fountain where a few ducks were (6) splashing (T). Near the carousel, they found a (7) crumbled (O) piece of paper. But it wasn't the map.

"Think!" said Aria. "Where did you go (8) first (A)?" Jaden remembered buying cotton candy, and they ran back to the stand. There, sitting on the counter, was the (9) missing (R) map. It was (10) sticky (I) but safe.

The friends laughed, wiped it (11) clean (D), and headed to the next ride. "Good thing we solved the mystery," Jaden said. "Now let's find the (12) fastest (E) roller coaster in the park!"

It is:

C L O S E T O A R I D E

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

### Clue #3: Sorting Popcorn

Sort the popcorn into boxes the same color as the box they belong in. Then, find the correct key at the bottom to solve the clue!

#### nouns



#### adjectives



#### verbs



Ship and  
re are:

ls  
s

- Cross out Roller Coaster and Merry Go Round if there are:
- 3 red kernels
  - 2 yellow kernels
  - 3 green kernels
  - 2 blue kernels

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

# MULTIPLE VERSIONS



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adverbs nouns adjectives verbs

happily cotton candy Ferris wheel laugh

**3 Clue Version**

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- 2 red kernels
- 3 yellow kernels
- 2 green kernels
- 3 blue kernels

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- 3 green kernels
- 2 blue kernels

**Cross out the Pirate Ship and Ferris Wheel if there are:**

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- 3 yellow kernels
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- 3 green kernels
- 2 blue kernels

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A. loudly B. cheerful C. exciting D. thrilling

A. slide B. curiously C. happily D. bright

A. fireworks B. fast C. laugh D. spin

A. busily B. cotton candy C. Ferris wheel D. laugh

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- 2 blue kernels

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How many As did you circle?  
 1 A = class  
 2 As = next  
 3 As = far  
 4 As = in front

How many Bs did you circle?  
 1 B = the  
 2 Bs = of  
 3 Bs = to  
 4 Bs = from

How many Cs did you circle?  
 1 C = red  
 2 Cs = green  
 3 Cs = blue

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## Print & Digital Forms

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adverbs nouns adjectives verbs

red yellow green blue

happily bright fireworks fast laugh

cotton candy spin busily

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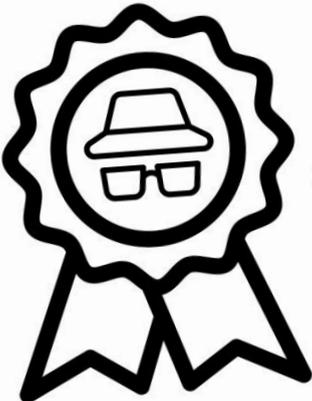
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## Short & Long Options

# FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



**The Detective Agency sends congratulations to:**



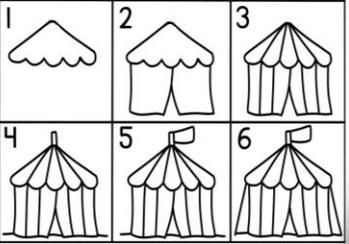
*Lindsay*

**You solved the mystery!**

*11/2* **Date**      *AW* **Presented by:**

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**LET'S DRAW...**  
**a carnival tent**

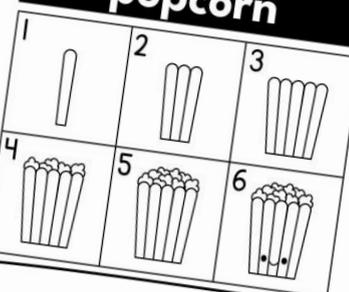


1 2 3  
4 5 6



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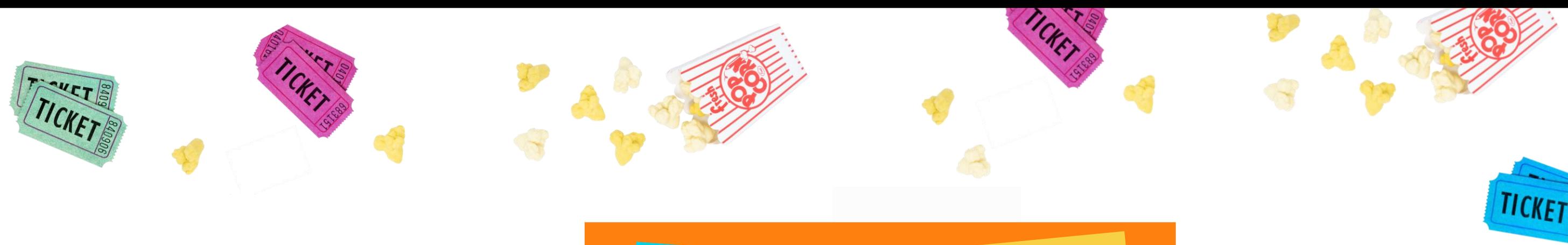
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If students finish early, give them a certificate of completion and a directed drawing to complete while others continue working.

# 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

**Clue #4: Word Hunt**

Color in each speech bubble based on what part of speech is underlined inside of it.  
Look at the box at the bottom to find your colors.

The illustration shows a fair scene with children playing games, riding a roller coaster, and buying tickets. Speech bubbles are placed around the scene, each containing a sentence with a word underlined. The words are color-coded: red for verbs, green for adjectives, blue for nouns, and yellow for pronouns.

Color in each speech bubble based on the underlined word.  
What color do you see the most? Circle it. Write the = word on the line.

•RED: verbs = bumps	•GREEN: adjectives = cars
•BLUE: nouns = drops	•YELLOW: pronouns = pals

It is on a ride you go on with  
**pals**

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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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LET'S DRAW...  
**popcorn**

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<del>Pirate Ship</del>	<del>Merry-Go-Round</del>	<del>Ferris Wheel</del>	<del>Bumper Cars</del>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**solve the mystery**

**The Case of the Missing Cotton Candy**

# 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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<b>verb</b> A splash of water soaked us as the log ride hit the bottom suddenly.	<b>verb</b> The smell of popcorn and cotton candy filled the air.
<b>adjective</b> Bright lights flashed while the music played loudly all around.	<b>pronoun</b> They laughed as the bumper cars crashed into each other.
<b>pronoun</b> The spinning teacups twirled so fast we felt dizzy.	<b>noun</b> Fireworks exploded above the castle and lit up the sky.

### Clue #1: Picture Decoder

Write the answer on each line. Then, draw a line to each match. Last, use the decoder at the bottom to solve the clue.

15	9	18	12	4	8	11	19	17
12	11	4	15	17	18	19	9	8
10+2	5+6	3+1	7+8	3+4	9+9	2+7	4+5	6+2

Answer: N O A N I M A L S

The cotton candy is somewhere with:

A = [ice cream cone]	G = [candy]	M = [candy]	S = [candy]	Y = [candy]
B = [ice cream cone]	H = [candy]	N = [candy]	T = [candy]	Z = [candy]
C = [ice cream cone]	I = [candy]	O = [candy]	U = [candy]	
D = [ice cream cone]	J = [candy]	P = [candy]	V = [candy]	
E = [ice cream cone]	K = [candy]	Q = [candy]	W = [candy]	
F = [ice cream cone]	L = [candy]	R = [candy]	X = [candy]	

# 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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