

WHAT IS THIS?



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| <u>noun</u> no | <u>boss</u> | <u>preposition</u> runs | <u>does</u> |
| The dragon <u>was</u> at the path. | The controller <u>was</u> sitting on the desk. | She <u>jumped</u> across the forest. | Tides <u>past</u> the sleeping dragon to grab the key. |
| <u>not</u> | <u>adverb</u> hate | Throw a snowball <u>like</u> at the snow monster to defeat it. | <u>adverb</u> tree |
| They <u>aced</u> to the finish line. | The dragon <u>was</u> quickly over the tower. | She <u>pressed</u> the power button gently. | |
| <u>the</u> | <u>preposition</u> troll | <u>water</u> | <u>noun</u> green |
| The villain <u>laughed</u> at the player when he lost. | The wizard <u>hid</u> behind the castle. | The hero <u>ran</u> forward and attacked the monster. | The old man <u>guarded</u> the treasure. |

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The Case of the Video Game Boss

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The Video Game World

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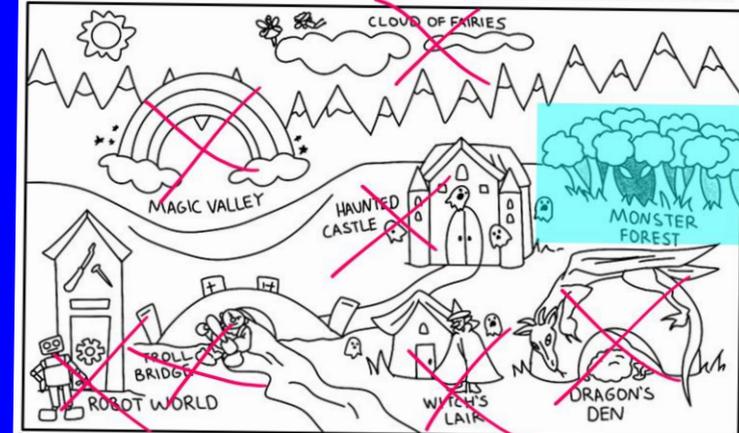
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Each time students solve a clue, it will reveal what place to cross out.

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

SKILL PRACTICE

Parts of Speech Review:

- Nouns
- Verbs
- Adjectives
- Adverbs
- Prepositions

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The boss is not near any wings.



noun The challenge in the game is to protect your sandcastle from waves.

verb Slice the watermelon for extra points in the jungle level.

adverb Throw a firecracker to scare away enemies.

The boss is not near any bridge.



adjective A scarecrow guards the farm level from sneaky crows.

pronoun Tie your shoelace before you sprint.

verb The glowing dragonfly shows you the safe path.

The boss is not near any tree.



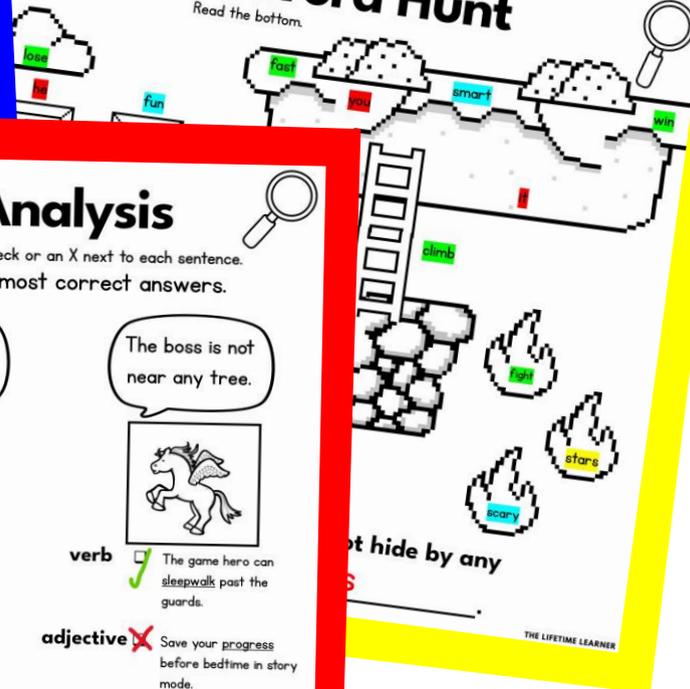
verb The game hero can sleepwalk past the guards.

adjective Save your progress before bedtime in story mode.

noun Blast off in a spaceship to explore new planets.

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All clues focus on reviewing parts of speech!

MULTIPLE VERSIONS



Print & Digital Forms

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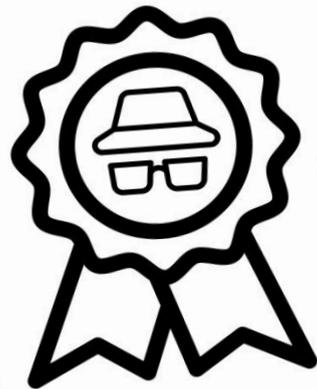
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Short & Long Options

FAST FINISHER ACTIVITY



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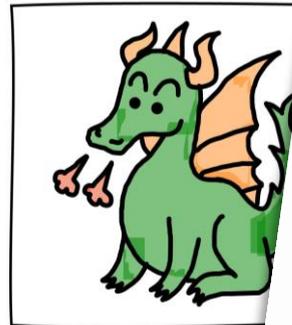
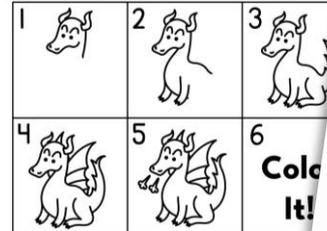


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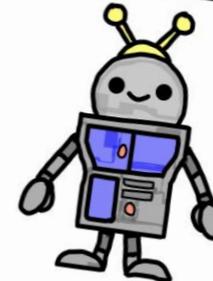
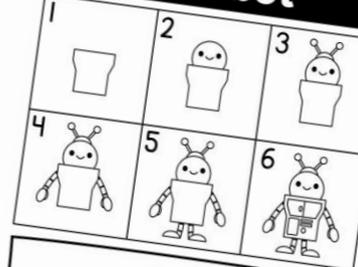
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If students finish early, give them a certificate of completion and a directed drawing to complete while others continue working.

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: Color the Coins 

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

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 red coins• 2 yellow coins• 0 green coins• 1 blue coin The final boss likes being in the <u>sky</u> . | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 red coins• 3 yellow coins• 1 green coin• 0 blue coins The final boss likes being in a <u>home</u> . | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 red coins• 2 yellow coins• 1 green coin• 0 blue coins The final boss likes being <u>out in nature</u> . | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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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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.

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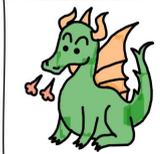
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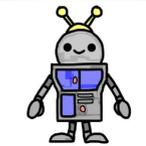
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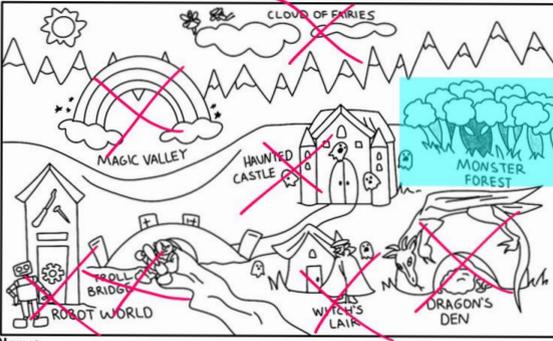
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WHAT MAKES READING MYSTERIES UNIQUE?

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.

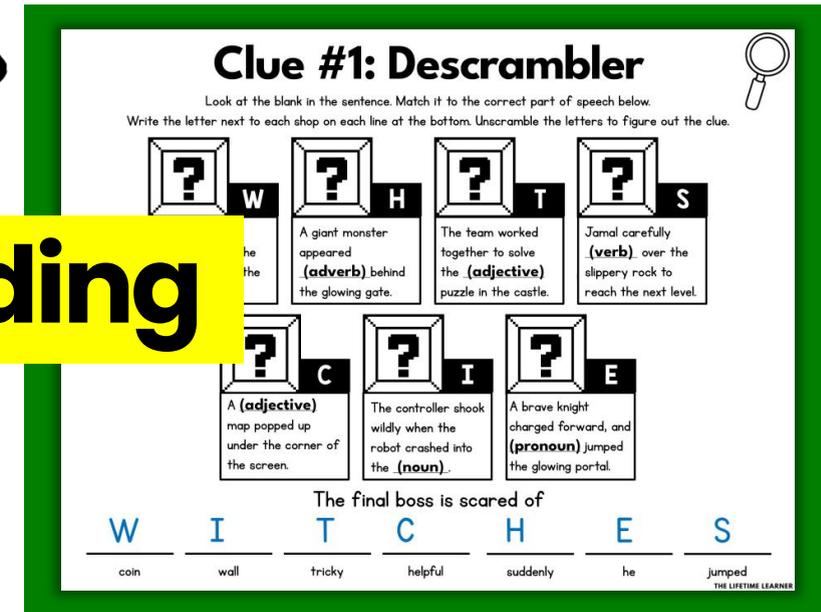
The only thing that stays the same is the list of suspects students start with!

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



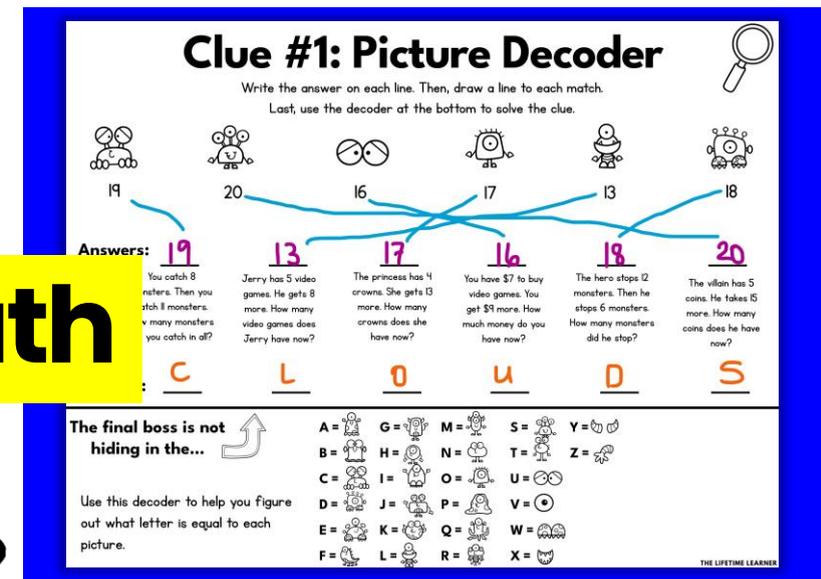
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Clue #1: Picture Decoder

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

| | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 19 | 20 | 16 | 17 | 13 | 18 |
| You catch 8 monsters. Then you catch 8 more. How many monsters do you catch in all? | Jerry has 5 video games. He gets 8 more. How many video games does Jerry have now? | The princess has 4 crowns. She gets 3 more. How many crowns does she have now? | You have \$7 to buy video games. You get \$5 more. How much money do you have now? | The hero stops 12 monsters. Then he stops 6 more. How many monsters did he stop? | The villain has 5 coins. He takes 5 more. How many coins does he have now? |
| Answers: 19 | 13 | 17 | 16 | 18 | 20 |
| C | L | O | U | D | S |

The final boss is not hiding in the...

Use this decoder to help you figure out what letter is equal to each picture.

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| A = [picture] | G = [picture] | M = [picture] | S = [picture] | Y = [picture] |
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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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TO SAVE BIG!**

