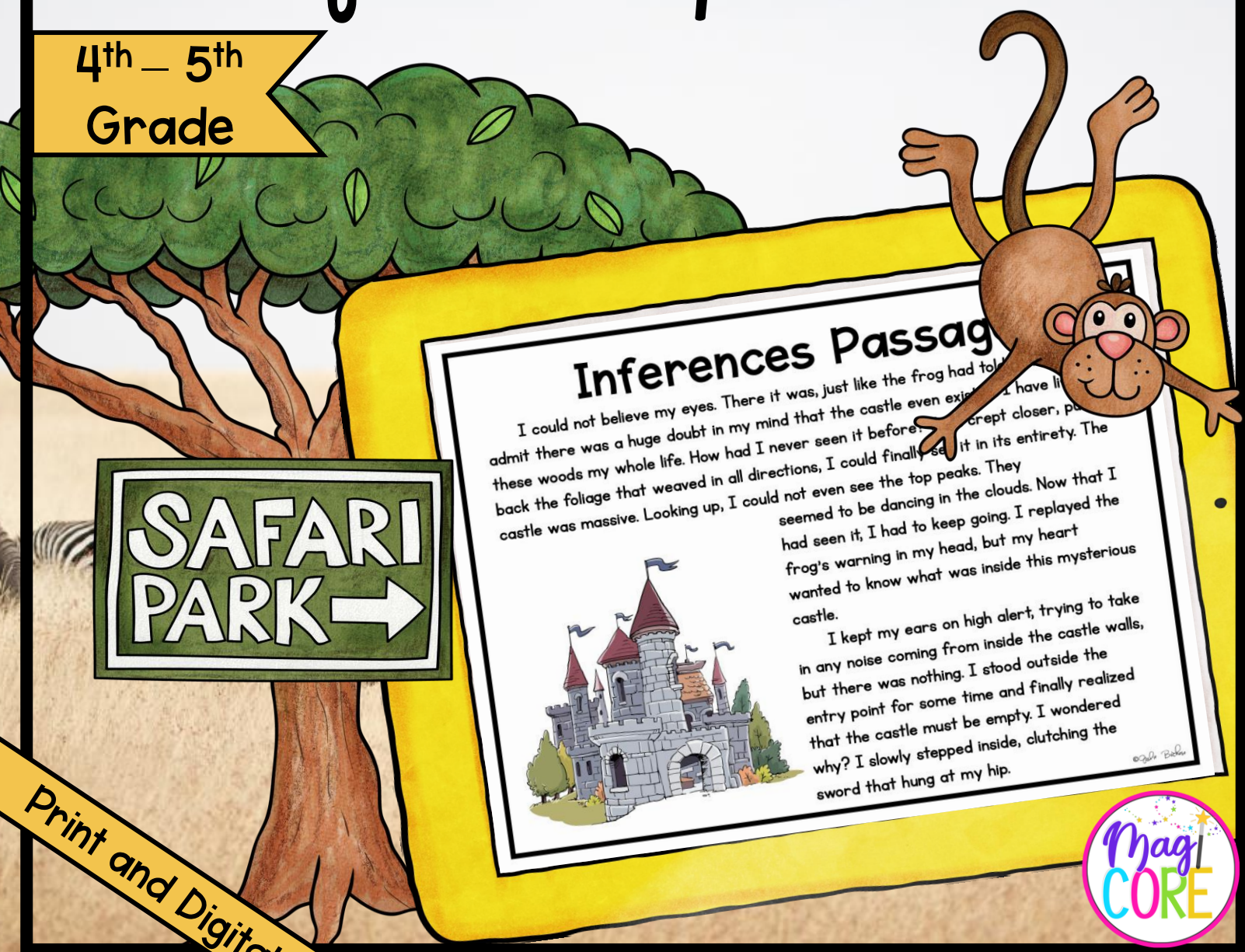
Making Inferences

Safari Escape Room

4th – 5th Grade



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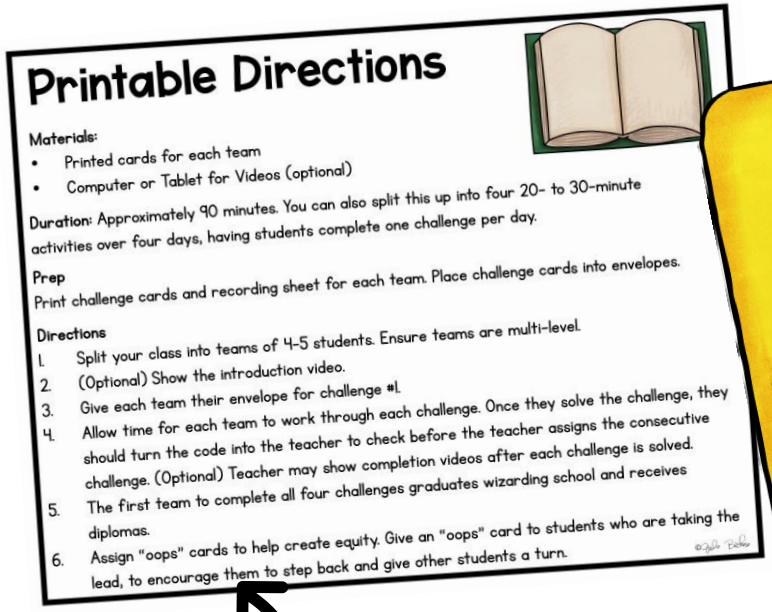
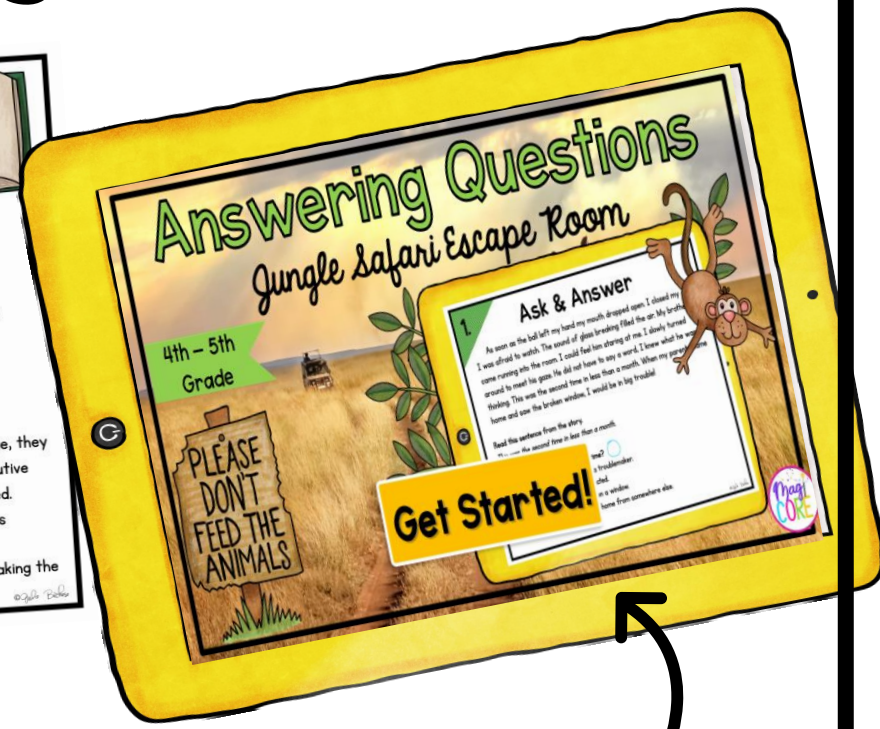
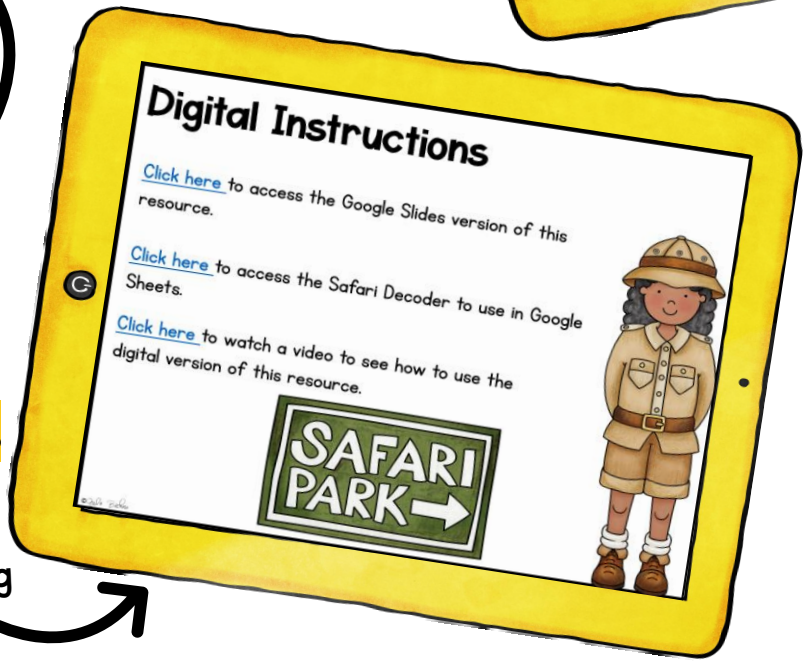






Print

- Low prep
- Student collaboration
- Can eliminate technology

Google Slides

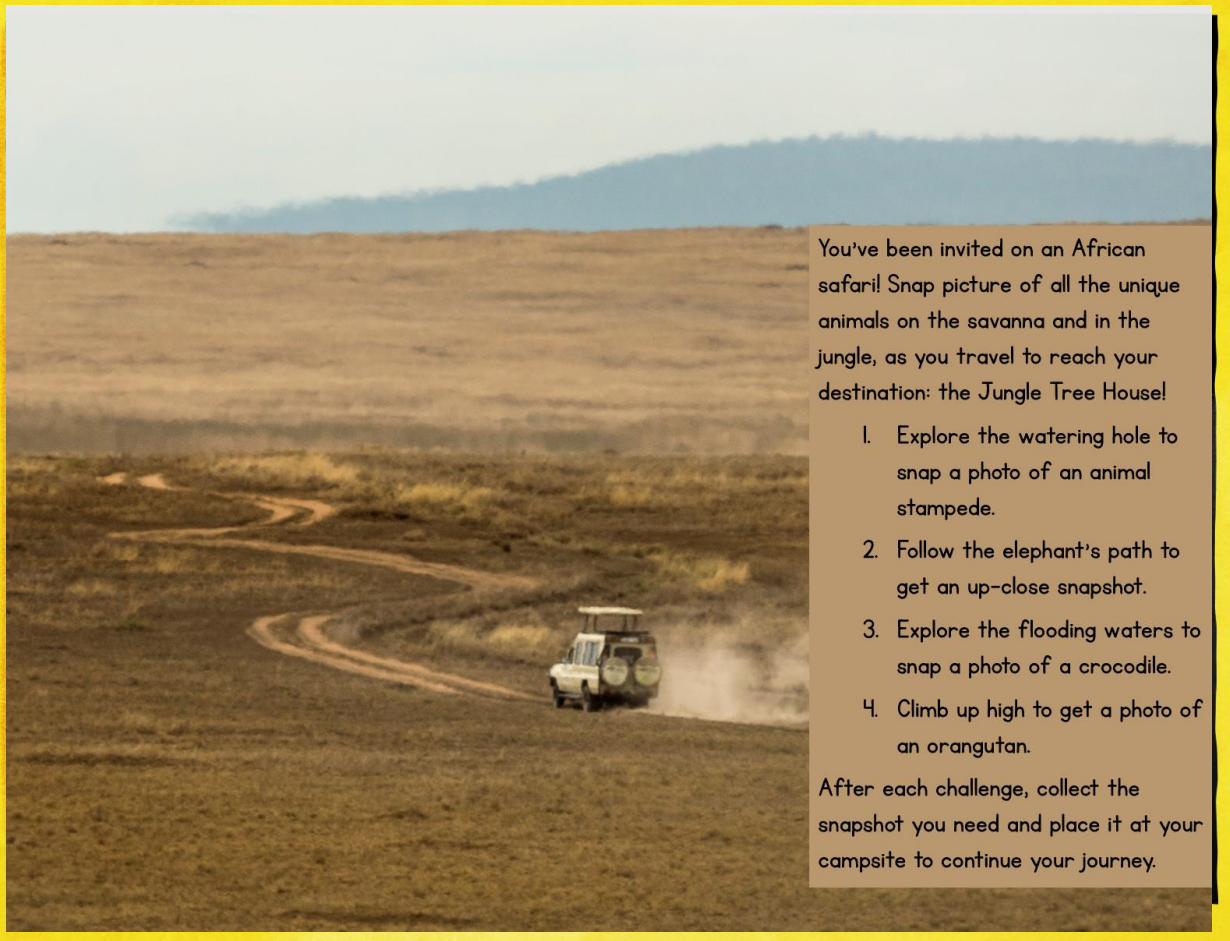
- Decoder included for self correcting
- Videos

Webscape

- Self correcting
- Easy to follow
- Animation
- Videos
- Audio

Videos Tell the Story

Four Main Idea Reading Challenges



You've been invited on an African safari! Snap picture of all the unique animals on the savanna and in the jungle, as you travel to reach your destination: the Jungle Tree House!

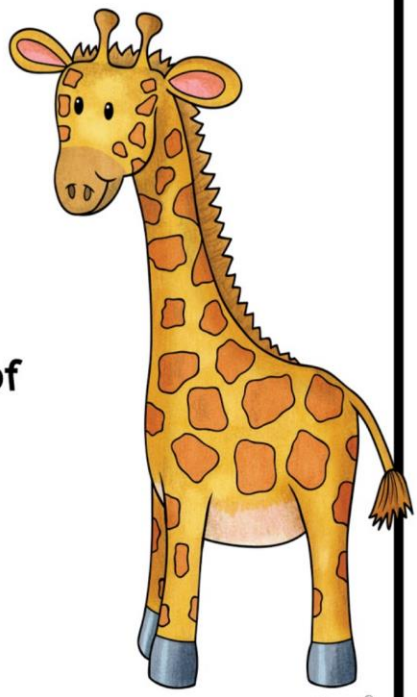
1. Explore the watering hole to snap a photo of an animal stampede.
2. Follow the elephant's path to get an up-close snapshot.
3. Explore the flooding waters to snap a photo of a crocodile.
4. Climb up high to get a photo of an orangutan.

After each challenge, collect the snapshot you need and place it at your campsite to continue your journey.

Challenges are Scaffolded

Challenges

1. Use inferences to explore the waterhole and get a photo of an animal stampede. (Level 1: Fiction)
2. Use inferences to follow the elephant to the jungle village and get an up-close snapshot. (Level 1: Nonfiction)
3. Use inferences in a multi-paragraph story to take a photo of a crocodile in flooded waters. (Level 2: Fiction)
4. Use inferences in a multi-paragraph article to climb the trees and get a photo of an orangutan. (Level 2: Nonfiction)



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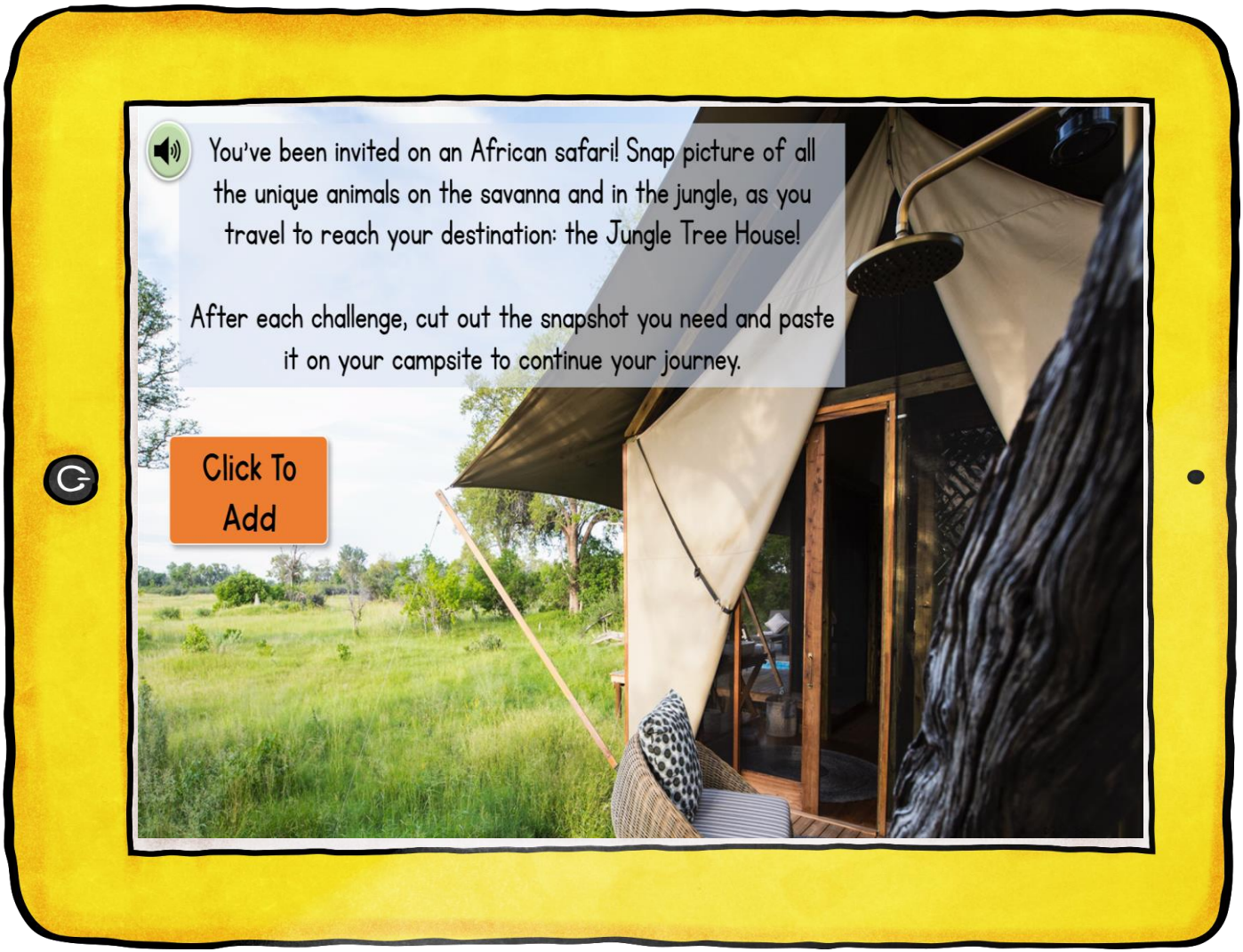

Short Passages

1. Inferences

As soon as the ball left my hand my mouth dropped open. I squinted my eyes, afraid to watch. The sound of shattering glass filled the air and sent my brother running into the room. I could feel his stare on the back of my head. I slowly turned around to meet his gaze. He did not have to say a word, I knew what he was thinking. When my parents came home and saw the broken window, I was in big trouble! This would be the second incident in less than a month.

Read this sentence from the story.

This would be the second incident in less than a month.

Why did the author include this detail in the story?

a. The author wants the reader to infer that the character is a troublemaker.
b. The author wants the reader to infer that the brother is overreacting.
c. The author wants the reader to infer that the character's parents warned about throwing balls in the house.
d. The author wants the reader to infer that the parents are mean.

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Long Passage

Inferences Passage

I could not believe my eyes. There it was, just like the frog had told me. I must admit there was a huge doubt in my mind that the castle even existed. I have lived in these woods my whole life. How had I never seen it before? As I crept closer, pushing back the foliage that weaved in all directions, I could finally see it in its entirety. The castle was massive. Looking up, I could not even see the top peaks. They seemed to be dancing in the clouds. Now that I had seen it, I had to keep going. I replayed the frog's warning in my head, but my heart wanted to know what was inside this mysterious castle.

I kept my ears on high alert, trying to take in any noise coming from inside the castle walls, but there was nothing. I stood outside the entry point for some time and finally realized that the castle must be empty. I wondered why? I slowly stepped inside, clutching the sword that hung at my hip.

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Printable Version Saves Paper

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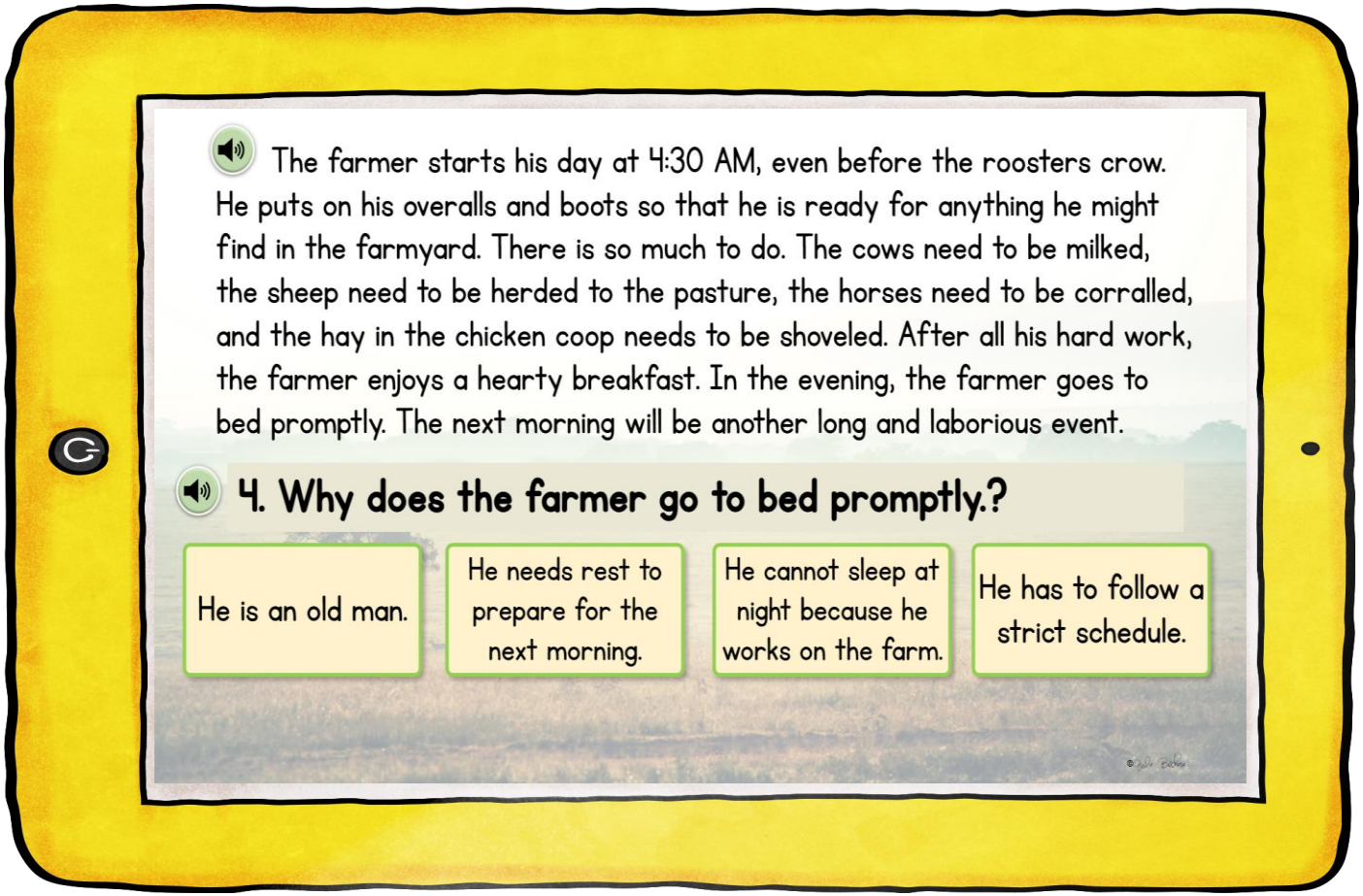
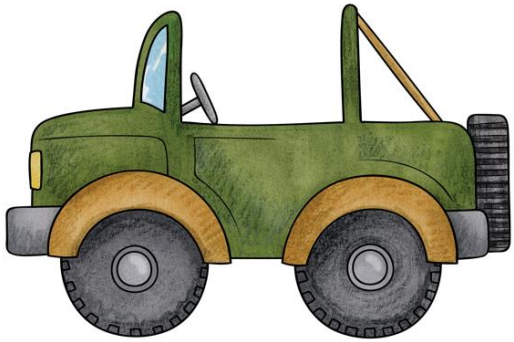


Questions review key 4th - 5th grade reading comprehension skills.

Printable Version Includes "Ooops!" Challenges

Ooops!

Your Jeep ran out of gas.



YOU MUST STAY QUIET FOR 5 MINUTES. NO SPEAKING!

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Printable Version Includes Recording Brochure & Decoder

Safari Decoder

Use the following codes for each challenge to unlock the secret item and move to the next challenge.

	Question 1	Question 2	Question
Challenge 1	a = My b = It c = The d = On	a = lion b = animals c = zebras d = birds	a = it b = had c = aro d = wer
Challenge 2	Question 1	Question 2	Questio
	a = My b = The c = His d = Her	a = feet b = tongue c = trunk d = path	a= the b= kept c= it d= pf
Challenge 3	Question 1	Question 2	Questio
	a = They b = The c = I d = We	a = had b = used c = stole d = could	a = see b = a c = onl d = hea
Challenge 4	Question 1	Question 2	Quest
	a = A b = He c = She d = The	a = saw b = tried c = grabbed d = large	a = wl b = wl c = of d = to

CHALLENGE 1

	Answer	Code
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		

What was difficult about getting this snapshot?

CHALLENGE 2

	Answer	Code
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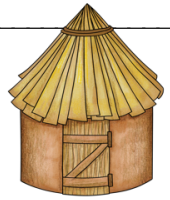
What was difficult about getting this snapshot?



CHALLENGE 3

	Answer	Code
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2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		

What was difficult about getting this snapshot?

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Google Slides Prompt Students to use Decoder

To The Treetops!

Enter your answers in the Safari Decoder to collect your snapshot of the orangutan.

DO NOT go to the next page until prompted to do so by the Decoder!

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Decoder in Digital Version is Self-Checking

Jungle Safari Decoding Tool

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Question #	1	2	3	4	5	6
Your Answers	c	b	d	b	a	d
Secret Answer	The	animals	were	running	at	me.

YOU GOT THE SNAPSHOT!! MOVE ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE.