



2nd & 3rd Grade

# ELA Review

## Whodunit Escape Room



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Now's your chance! You're the most qualified person here to solve this mystery... Can you figure out whodunit?

1. Discover your 1<sup>st</sup> clue: the manifest.
2. Discover your 2<sup>nd</sup> clue: the passport.
3. Discover your 3<sup>rd</sup> clue: the menu.
4. Discover your 4<sup>th</sup> clue: the parcel.



# Immerse in the Story

When I booked a compartment on the European Express, I thought I'd get from point A to point B with no surprises in between. Now the luggage car has disappeared, detached in the night. As a detective, I took it upon myself to question every suspect, and answer the question: Who Done It?

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# Dragonflies

Dragonflies are some of the most colorful insects on planet Earth. They are considered insects because they have 6 legs, a thorax, a head, and a long, segmented abdomen. The over 5,000 species of dragonflies can range in size from half an inch long to over 5 inches long. Dragonflies can't walk very well even though they have 6 legs, but they are great flyers with their transparent wings. They can hover in place and fly backwards and sideways. Dragonflies can reach impressive speeds of over 30 miles per hour.

These beautiful insects have three stages in their life cycle. The first stage is the egg, which is laid in the water. The second stage is the larva, which is a small, worm-like creature that lives in the water. The third stage is the pupa, which is a more complex creature that also lives in the water. Finally, the pupa emerges from the water and becomes an adult dragonfly, which can fly and hunt for food.

These beautiful insects have three stages of development. They can reach impressive speeds of over 30 miles per hour. They are also very intelligent. They can communicate with each other. They are also very social. They live in colonies. They are also very hardworking. They are also very brave. They are also very loyal. They are also very smart. They are also very beautiful. They are also very interesting. They are also very mysterious. They are also very fascinating. They are also very amazing. They are also very wonderful. They are also very incredible. They are also very extraordinary. They are also very unique. They are also very special. They are also very precious. They are also very valuable. They are also very important. They are also very meaningful. They are also very significant. They are also very impactful. They are also very influential. They are also very powerful. They are also very strong. They are also very resilient. They are also very adaptable. They are also very flexible. They are also very versatile. They are also very resourceful. They are also very creative. They are also very innovative. They are also very imaginative. They are also very curious. They are also very inquisitive. They are also very observant. They are also very attentive. They are also very focused. They are also very determined. They are also very persistent. They are also very diligent. They are also very hardworking. They are also very dedicated. They are also very committed. They are also very loyal. They are also very faithful. They are also very honest. They are also very truthful. They are also very sincere. They are also very genuine. They are also very authentic. They are also very real. They are also very natural. They are also very beautiful. They are also very interesting. They are also very mysterious. They are also very fascinating. They are also very amazing. They are also very wonderful. They are also very incredible. They are also very extraordinary. They are also very unique. They are also very special. They are also very precious. They are also very valuable. They are also very important. They are also very meaningful. They are also very significant. They are also very impactful. They are also very influential. They are also very powerful. They are also very strong. They are also very resilient. They are also very adaptable. They are also very flexible. They are also very versatile. They are also very resourceful. They are also very creative. They are also very innovative. They are also very imaginative. They are also very curious. They are also very inquisitive. They are also very observant. They are also very attentive. They are also very focused. They are also very determined. They are also very persistent. They are also very diligent. They are also very hardworking. They are also very dedicated. They are also very committed. They are also very loyal. They are also very faithful. They are also very honest. They are also very truthful. They are also very sincere. They are also very genuine. They are also very authentic. They are also very real. They are also very natural.

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# Balki and the Dragon

## Balki and the Dragon

That was why the moment fairies had reported spotting a dragon on Mount Kinsel, Balki had prepared to hunt that beast. The fairies described the dragon as having copper-colored scales, glowing green eyes, and wings large enough to block out the sun. This description fit the stories about the dragon that had taken his father, and Balki intended to make that dragon regret ever messing with a knight like his father.

He trekked through the forest, past a field thick with dandelions and abuzz with bees. He swam across a wide lake full of mermaids. He hiked up the slope of Mount Kinsel. By the time he reached a dark cave at the top of the mountain, Balki was exhausted. When his hand rested on the hilt of his father's sword, however, energy returned to him.

At the mouth of the cave, Balki took in a deep breath, the faint smell of smoke filling his nose. He drew his father's sword and entered the cave. He would not back down, no matter what awaited him. Something flickered down the cave.

Something flickered down a tunnel to his left, so Balki headed that way.

Figure 1



# 4 Reading Challenges

- Challenges review a variety of comprehension standards
- Each challenge takes about 20-30 minutes
- Mix of fiction and nonfiction passages
- Multiple choice questions
- Passages in 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Text Complexity band (420L-820L)
- Passages and questions are scaffolded

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## Maple Tree

Maple tree,  
strong and tall,  
Colors change  
in the fall.

Winter winds  
swirl around.  
You stay rooted  
in the ground.

Buds appear  
in the spring.



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3

3. Tap out the rhythm of the poem. Describe the rhythm. What mood does this create? ☐
- a. The rhythm is uneven and slow. This creates a spooky mood.
  - b. The rhythm is fast and even. This creates an exciting mood.
  - c. The rhythm is steady and even. This creates a calm mood.
  - d. The rhythm is steady and even. This creates a humorous mood.
4. In which stanza of the poem is there an alliteration? ☐

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### History of the Kite

Have you ever flown a kite on a breezy day? Kites come in so many shapes, sizes, and colors. Historians are not sure who made the first kite, though. They believe kites may have begun in China. One legend says a Chinese farmer tied his hat to a string to keep it from blowing away. When the wind blew, the hat took off. The farmer trailed behind the hat as he held the string, and the kite was born. Written records point to a Chinese man named Mo-tse who created a bird-shaped kite. It took him three years to build and is said to have had a military purpose. Historians believe

Which statement best describes the main topic of the passage?

The main topic of the passage is to explain how a Chinese farmer invented the kite.

The main topic of the passage is to describe the most popular uses of kites.

The main topic of the passage is to answer a question about how kites led to the development of the airplane.

The main topic of the passage is to explore the history and common uses of the kite.




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| <b>Device</b>          | N/A   | Any Device  | Any Device  |
| <b>Required Prep</b>   | Print & Go  | Copy & Share  | Zero Prep   |
| <b>Student Answers</b> | Printable Answer Pamphlet   | Google Sheets Decoder Tool  | Integrated Challenge Hub  |
| <b>Self Correcting</b> | Includes Answer Key   | Self Correcting   | Self Correcting   |
| <b>Custom Videos</b>   | QR Codes  | Embedded You Tube   | Embedded  |
| <b>Audio Readings</b>  | N/A   | No Audio Readings   | Contains Audio Readings   |
| <b>Navigation</b>      | N/A   | Student Directed  | Automatically Advancing   |
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- Cut and paste stamps for each challenge
- Easy to follow
- Optimal for group or partner work

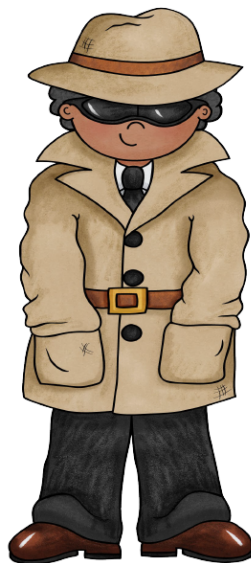
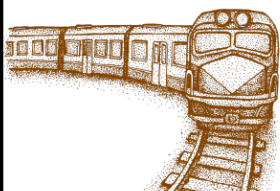
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## Challenge #3

1. Read the passages and answer the questions.
2. Submit your answers to the Mystery Decoder.
3. Gather your third clue to figure out whodunit.



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After each challenge, you will uncover a clue. Cut & paste it here to your private train car to inspect further. Will you figure out whodunit?







# Best Detective!

(Name) \_\_\_\_\_

has successfully collected  
all the clues, solved the mystery,  
and identified the whodunit!



Scan the QR code or  
[click here](#) to view

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

## Mystery Decoder

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

### Challenge 1

Question 1  
a = My  
b = It  
c = We  
d = They

### Challenge 2

Question 1  
a = My  
b = The  
c = Her  
d = I

### Challenge 3

Question 1  
a = That  
b = The  
c = They  
d = We

### Challenge 4

Question 1  
a = A  
b = He  
c = I  
d = The

### Question 2

a = instant  
b = wanted  
c = all  
d = train

### Question 2

a = passport  
b = luggage  
c = train  
d = intended

### Question 2

a = had  
b = served  
c = stole  
d = could

### Question 1

a = A  
b = He  
c = I  
d = The

### Question 3

a = it  
b = depart  
c = around  
d = were

### Question 3

a = the  
b = kept  
c = and  
d = off

### Question 3

a = noticed  
b = strong  
c = short  
d = w

### Question 3

a = salad,  
b = pie,  
c = bread  
d = sav

### Question 2

a = saw  
b = tried  
c = grabbed  
d = led

### CHALLENGE 1



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

Why are you so eager to  
question the passengers?



### CHALLENGE 2

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

Why do you think the  
princess is lying?

### CHALLENGE 3



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

What did they actually serve  
in the dining car last night?

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- Recording brochure for answers
- Self-checking decoder
- Certificate of completion

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## Ooops!

You forgot to dust for prints, detective.



YOU MUST STAY QUIET FOR 5  
MINUTES. NO SPEAKING!

## Ooops!

You lost a piece of evidence, detective.



NO HELPING YOUR  
TEAM FOR 3 MINUTES!

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- OOPS! Cards for differentiation

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## Balki and the Dragon

Balki adjusted the sword at his hip. It had belonged to his father, who had been a skilled knight before a dragon plucked him off his horse and flew off with him. That was the story, anyway. No one had actually seen that happen. The kingdom mourned the loss of their greatest protector, but no one missed him as much as Balki did.

That was why the moment fairies had reported spotting a dragon on Mount Kinsel, Balki had prepared to hunt that beast. The fairies described the dragon as having copper-colored scales, glowing green eyes, and wings large enough to



What emotion best describes how Balki feels while searching for the dragon that took his father?

fearful

determined

excited

curious

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- Embedded audio
- Animation
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## Challenge #1

Click on the book to read the text, then click on each clue and answer the questions. Answer carefully, because the right answers will give you the clues to solve the challenge!

Why are you so eager to question the passengers?

Text 1



Text 2



Text 3



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all

Clue #1

Clue #2

Clue #3

Submit



Clue #4

Clue #5

Clue #6

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- No log ins or sign ups
- Works with any device that has an internet connection and web browser
- Zero prep! Just share the link with your students.

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1.

## The Climbing Wall

Characters: Narrator, Hamal, Maksim, Leo

Scene I:

**Setting:** A neighborhood playground that includes swings, a slide, a seesaw, monkey bars, and a small climbing wall. Hamal and Maksim are side-by-side on the swings.

**Narrator:** Hamal and Maksim meet every Wednesday after school at the playground. They challenge each other to see who can swing the highest on the swings, slide down the slide the fastest, and hang from the monkey bars the longest.

**Hamal:** (studies his sneakers as he sits on a swing) We need a new challenge, Maksim. Neither of us can swing any higher or slide any faster or hang any longer.

**Maksim:** (rocks slowly back and forth on the swing next to Hamal) You're right. Without a new challenge, this playground is boring.

**Narrator:** The boys scan the playground. The only pieces of equipment left are the seesaw, which isn't good for competition, and... the climbing wall. Leo, an older boy, is halfway up the climbing wall. For as long as the boys have been coming to the playground, Leo has always had the climbing wall to himself. He looks like a professional climber and someone you don't want to disturb.



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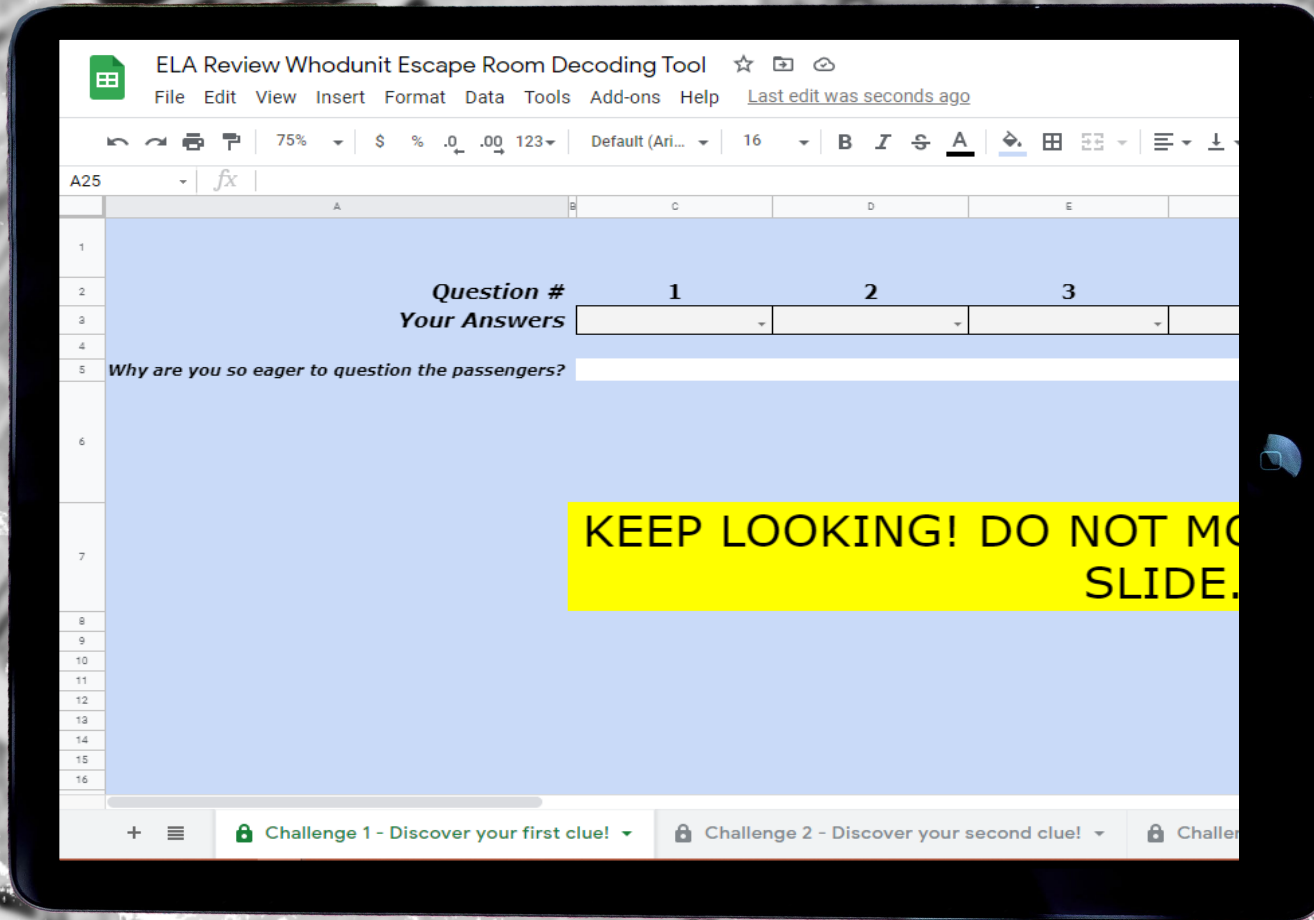
- One problem per slide
- Students drag to highlight their answers

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- Toggle to self-checking decoder
- Decoder will prompt at the end of each challenge whether students are correct or need to check their work.

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