



4th & 5th 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 1st clue: the manifest.
2. Discover your 2nd clue: the passport.
3. Discover your 3rd clue: the menu.
4. Discover your 4th 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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Midnight Run

Alec bolted down an alley between two buildings, hoping the darkness would hide him. His lungs burned, and his legs threatened to quit supporting him. He put a hand to his chest, willing his heart not to burst through his ribs as he sucked in air. He'd never run that far or that fast in his life, but he'd had no choice. If he hadn't kept up his speed, he'd be a monster snack right now, and that just wasn't in his plans for today.

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Uncle Toby had warned him about going past the city limits that. *Stories*. Certainly, beasts with razor-sharp teeth outside the borders were a thing of legend.

Uncle Toby let out a low growl, and his eyes flared yellow. "Are you sure about that, Alec?" Long fangs lowered from his top row of teeth, while claws extended from his fingertips. Alec let out a scream as he broke into a run again. His body protested, but if he didn't want tonight to be his last, he had to outrun Uncle Toby.

Or else he'd become just like him.

Outside the city limits after being warned not to?

do something that would make him angry.

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Moonbathing

Amid the sparkles
of amorous fireflies
and the scent
of milkweed blooms,
I am a night dweller.
The sky is painted blue-black,
and the trees whisper
good night to each other
on the warm summer breeze.
They welcome me.
Heat still resides in the ground
as it cradles me,
tall grasses tickling my edges,
camouflaging my existence.
I belong here.
The world is vast,
horizon unreachable.



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 4th-5th Grade Text Complexity band (740L-1010L)
- Passages and questions are scaffolded

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Balki and the Dragon

Balki adjusted the sword at his hip, which had belonged to his father. He 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, but the kingdom had mourned the loss of their greatest protector. No one missed his father as much as Balki did.

That was why the moment the 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 blot out the sun. Balki had trekked through the forest, past a field thick with dandelions and abuzz with bees. He swam across a wide lake full of mermaids and gnomes. He reached a dark cave at the mouth of the tunnel to his left, so Balki entered cautiously. When his hand rested on the hilt of his sword, he knew he had found it. His perseverance returned.

At the mouth of the tunnel, Balki drew his father's sword. He ran for his father, and they embraced. The tunnel opened up, and a pungent scent that Balki had never smelled before filled the air.

1. Which sentence from the passage best represents Balki's emotion(s) as he searches for the dragon that took his father?
a. "He drew his father's sword and entered the cave cautiously."
b. "'You're alive!' He ran for his father, and they embraced."
c. "Balki was determined to make that dragon regret ever messing with a knight like his father."
d. "Balki trekked through the forest, past a field thick with dandelions and abuzz with bees."
2. How does Figure 1 contribute to the mood of the passage?
a. Figure 1 contributes a sense of suspense to the passage.
b. Figure 1 contributes a sense of calm to the passage.
c. Figure 1 is unrelated to the passage and therefore contributes a sense of confusion.
d. Figure 1 contributes a sense of humor to the passage.

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Format Type	Printable	Digital	Digital
Device	N/A	Any Device	Any Device
Required Prep	Print & Go	Copy & Share	Zero Prep
Student Answers	Printable Answer Pamphlet	Google Sheets Decoder Tool	Integrated Challenge Hub
Self Correcting	Includes Answer Key	Self Correcting	Self Correcting
Custom Videos	QR Codes	Embedded You Tube	Embedded
Audio Readings	N/A	No Audio Readings	Contains Audio Readings
Navigation	N/A	Student Directed	Automatically Advancing
Extras	Early Finish Challenges	Movable Pieces	Interactive Animation

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- Cut and paste stamps for each challenge
- Easy to follow
- Optimal for group or partner work

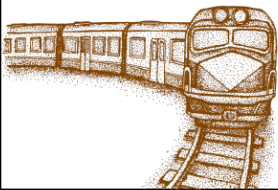
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Challenge #3

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 2

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

Question 3

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

Question 3

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

Question 3

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

Question 3

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

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?

Print

- 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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Super Stan Lee

On December 28, 1922, Stan Martin Lieber was born in New York City. His parents, Celia and Jack, were Romanian immigrants, and they struggled to make enough money to support Stan and his younger brother, Larry. As a child, he was influenced by reading and watching movies. He dreamed of becoming a writer. He shortened his last name to "Lee" when he became one. He worked as an office assistant at Timely Comics in 1939 and then became an editor for the company. He was employed as a writer and illustrator for the United States Army in the 1940s during



Which sentence from the text suggests one reason why Stan Lee's work is so popular?

"He was employed as a writer and illustrator for the United States Army in the 1940s during World War II."

"Lee was known for inventing characters with a deep sense of care for humanity, along with the super abilities they possessed."

"He often had cameo appearances in his movies, which means he had small but noticeable roles."

"As a child, he was influenced by reading and watching movies."

- Most interactive experience
- Self correcting
- Embedded videos
- Embedded audio
- Animation
- Simple navigation

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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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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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2.

Author Beverly Cleary

Beverly Atlee Bunn Cleary was born on April 12, 1916 in McMinnville, Oregon. Her early years were spent on a farm in Yamhill, Oregon. Her family then moved to Portland. Cleary didn't like city life as much as she liked farm life, which is one reason why she began to struggle in several school subjects. Cleary became interested in writing when she was in the third grade after a school librarian encouraged her to try it out. After she finished high school, Cleary attended the University of California at Berkeley where she studied English. She attended the University of Washington after graduating from the University of California at Berkeley. There, she learned to be a librarian and married her husband, Clarence Cleary. The couple had twins some time after.

While working at her first librarian job, Cleary had a hard time finding books to get young boys excited about reading. What they wanted were stories about kids like them, but there didn't seem to be many to choose from. So, Cleary decided to write them. She knew that creating stories that would be interesting to these kids would encourage them to read. After all, that's all a librarian wants!

Henry Huggins was the first of her novels to be about regular kids. She published it in 1950 and continued to write over thirty more books for young people. Some other popular books by Beverly Cleary include *Beezus and Ramona* (1955) and *The Mouse and the Motorcycle* (1965).



Figure 1

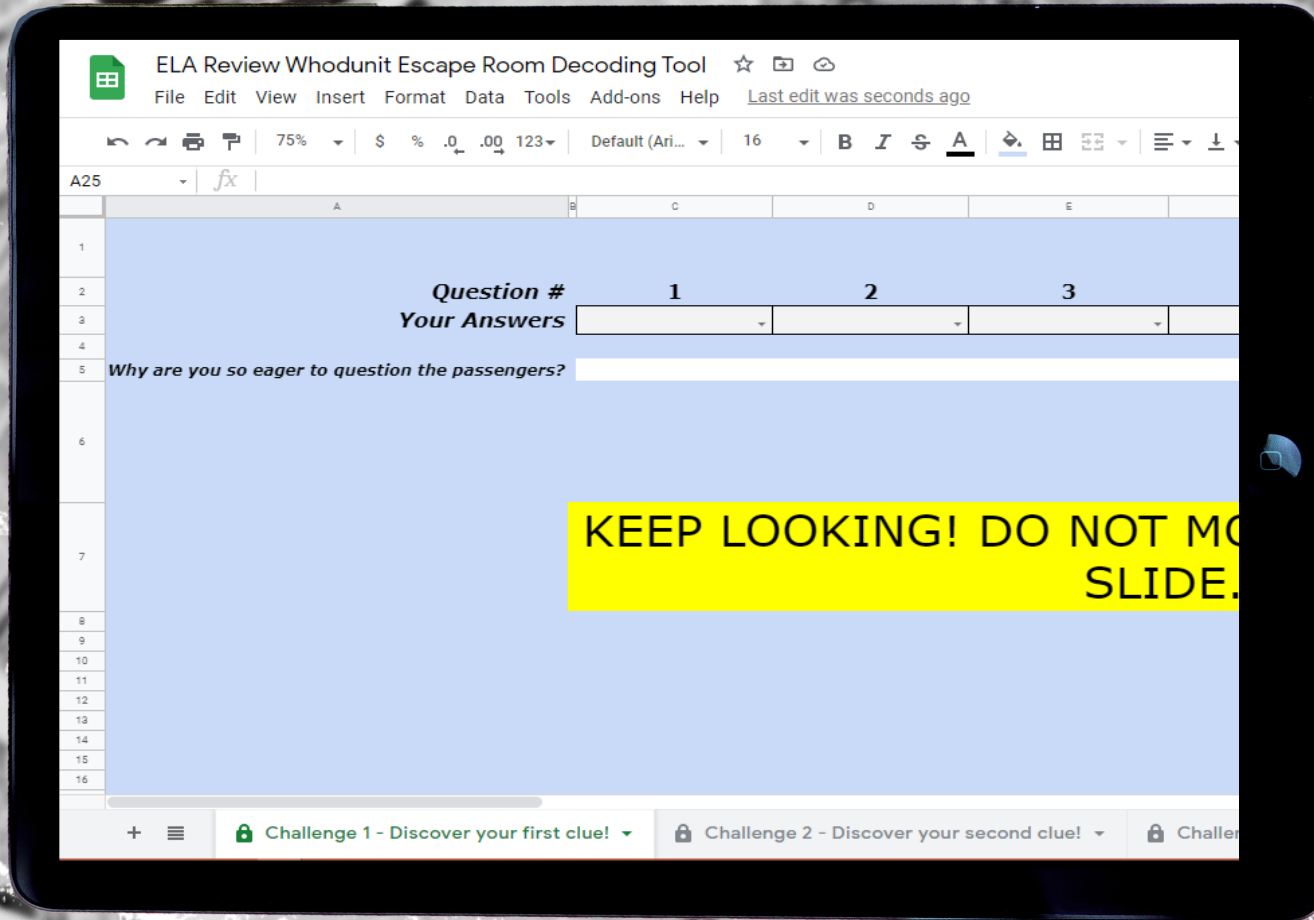
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- One problem per slide
- Students drag to highlight their answers

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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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ESCAPE ROOM BUNDLE
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Whodunit
Escape Room

MOUNT OLYMPUS
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Escape Room


Frozen Ice Palace
Fiction Review
Escape Room

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ESCAPE ROOM BUNDLE
Reading Comprehension

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Main Idea
Wizarding Escape Room

Context Clues
Pirate Themed Escape Room


Text Features
Mission in Space Escape Room

Print and Digital

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Locked in the Library
Dictionary Skills Escape Room

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You cleared the mystery section!

Everyone has their own idea of the best book to read. Agatha likes detectives, so you find her in the mystery section. It takes a lot of effort but you convince her to come find the here so you can all escape.

Print and Digital

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