

4th & 5th Grade

Fiction Review

Catch the Mermaid Escape Room

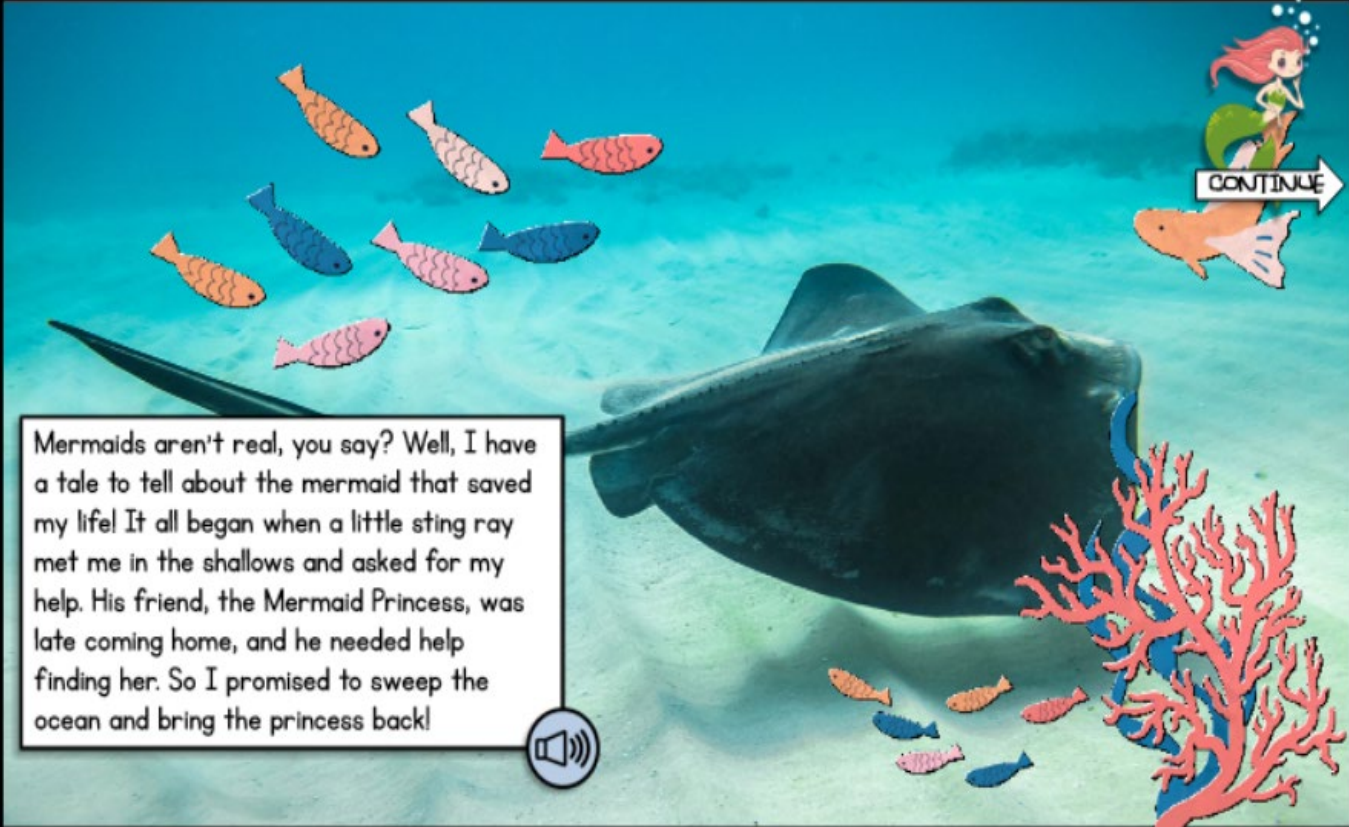


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Mermaids!

Students won't realize they are practicing Fiction Review skills! They will be immersed in the storytelling and our original videos as they complete reading comprehension challenges.



Mermaids aren't real, you say? Well, I have a tale to tell about the mermaid that saved my life! It all began when a little sting ray met me in the shallows and asked for my help. His friend, the Mermaid Princess, was late coming home, and he needed help finding her. So I promised to sweep the ocean and bring the princess back!

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Challenge #1

1. Read the fiction passages and answer the questions.
2. Use your answers to search the kelp forest for the Mermaid Princess.
3. Collect a shell after the challenge to remember your trip by.



1. The Birthday Cat

Jeff wandered through the animal shelter's cat section. He could hardly believe his moms were finally allowing him to have a pet. They'd said he could get a cat when he turned eleven, but he'd expected them to come up with some reason why he wasn't ready for the responsibility yet. Surprisingly, they'd shown up in his room this morning with a litter box, litter, cat food, and a bag full of little cat toys.

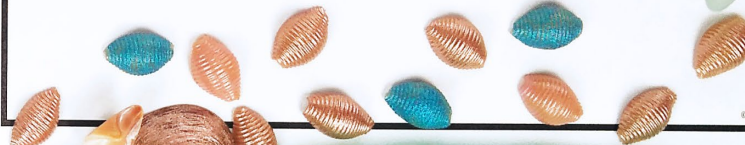
"Happy Birthday, Jeff!" Mama had said, sitting on the edge of Jeff's bed.

Mommy had gone ahead and sung the whole "Happy Birthday" song in a terrible Australian accent because she always liked to be a little goofier than Mama.

"Get dressed," Mama had said, "and have the special pancake breakfast we made you for your birthday. Then, we'll take you to the shelter to pick out your new best friend."

Now, a couple hours later, Jeff had passed by all the cages at the shelter several times. He was having trouble making a decision. They were all so cute and fluffy! Some of them were meowing loudly, trying to get his attention. Others were quieter, perhaps wanting to show they wouldn't be much trouble if he took them home. Truthfully, he wanted to take *all* the cats home, but his moms would never even consider it.

1. What made Jeff notice the cute little black cat to take home?
 - a. It was meowing for his attention.
 - b. It was quiet and sweet-looking.
 - c. It reached out its paw to Jeff.
 - d. It was the fluffiest kitten at the shelter.
2. How did Jeff feel about his moms letting him get a cat for his 11th birthday?
 - a. Surprised
 - b. Scared
 - c. Intrigued
 - d. Content
3. Why did Jeff think the cat looked like a cartoon?
 - a. The cat was playing with Jeff's finger playfully, like in a cartoon.
 - b. The cat's eyes were yellow and looking right at Jeff.
 - c. The cat's eyes were much too big for his head.
 - d. The cat was meowing like a cat in a cartoon.



4 Reading Challenges

- Challenges focused on Context Clues
- Each challenge takes about 20-30 minutes
- 8 fiction passages
- Multiple choice questions
- Passages in 4th-5th Grade Text Complexity band (740L-1010L)
- Passages and questions are scaffolded

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Superhero Dreams

He dreams of battling
evil masterminds,
planning,
plotting,
conquering
the
world.

He dreams of chasing
the enemies down,
searching,
counting,
leading,
the
fight.

He dreams of finding
the villains' lairs,
exposing,
invading,
cornering

He dreams of stopping
the danger here,
confronting,
arresting,
eliminating
the
threat.

He dreams of being
a true superhero,
protecting,
caring,
saving
the
people.

He dreams of following
his father's path,
enlisting,
pledging,
fighting



1. What is most likely the author's point of view?
 - a. A dog's natural instinct is to protect and save its owner from danger.
 - b. In order to be a great superhero, one must be a dog.
 - c. Everyone should own a dog as a pet.
 - d. Dogs cannot be considered superheroes because they sleep all day.

2. Read these lines from the poem.

He dreams of finding the villains' lairs, exposing, invading, cornering the crooks.

What is an antonym to the word exposing as it is used in the lines of the poem.

- a. Revealing
 - b. Hiding
 - c. Tackling
 - d. Displaying
3. How does the illustration best help the reader understand the poem more clearly?
 - a. The illustration helps the reader understand that the narrator wants to track villains.
 - b. The illustration helps the reader understand the narrator's motive.
 - c. The illustration helps the reader understand the setting more clearly.
 - d. The illustration helps the reader understand that the narrator is referring to canine superheroes.

4 Reading Challenges

- Themed videos integrated throughout the Escape Room to keep kids engaged.
- Students work in groups, partners, or independently.

Are you on the right track?

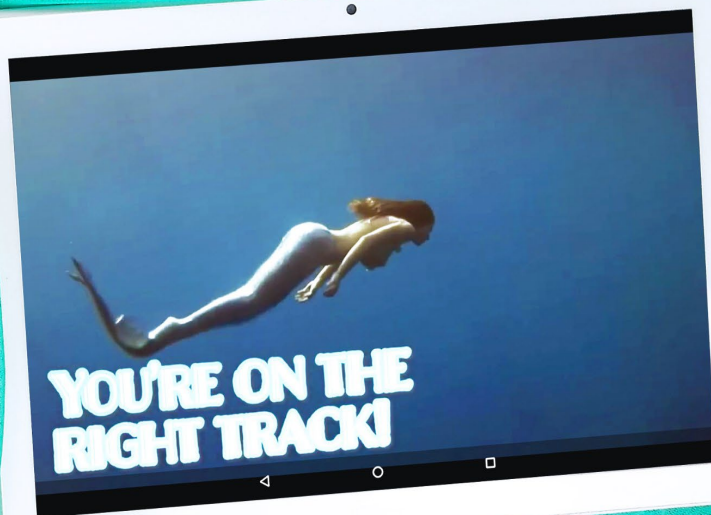
Enter your answers in the Mermaid Princess Decoder to see if you are on the right track!



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[click here](#) to view the
video.



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



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1.

Myra Brings t

Myra pulled the ancient key from her pocket as Gibby, her a
 "Where to today, Gibby?" Myra turned in a circle, eyeing all the d
 Gibby nosed a tall, skinny door that appeared to be made of

symbols on it that resembled Egyptian hieroglyphics, but Myra h
 the lock and slowly turned it. She'd learned the hard way to alw
 anything could be on the other side. Just jumping in could be dan

The door creaked open as most of them did. Darkness h
 down a long tunnel caught her attention. Gibby had already ste

The two of them traveled down the tunnel toward the
 cavern, the sound of crying echoed in the wide space.

Myra scanned in the dim light, noting the floor to ceiling
 pictures painted on the rock walls. She stepped closer

to inspect the images, but when she noticed a young
 boy hunched over something, she headed toward him.

The boy jumped v
 and he whipped around

and wh-why are you h

"I'm Myra, and

She held up the key, s

and thumb.

"This key is t
 different places an

2.

Prince Charming

Prince Charming watched as people danced in the palace ballroom. The music was of the boring orchestra
 flavor, and he had to fight against yawning in front of the kingdom's subjects. He'd be overjoyed if just once the
 conductor would wander from the norm. He wanted something fresh, perhaps with a snappy beat.

His parents sat on their thrones next to him. His father's eyes were nearly closed, but his mother's gaze was
 sharp and clear as she scanned the female dancers. She viewed his matchmaking as a very serious matter. She
 wanted him to have the best possible future queen. Charming knew she was doing it for him, but every time he
 thought about getting married, he felt a little sick.

Maybe more than a little.

Throughout the course of the night, his mother had organized for Prince Charming to dance with a variety
 of maidens. They'd all been intelligent, beautiful, kind young women, but not one of them had displayed a sense of
 humor. They'd addressed him as Your Grace as courtesy required. They'd danced a flawless waltz, not stepping on
 his toes. They'd discussed affairs of court with him, displaying a true understanding of how things operated in the
 kingdom. Any one of them would have made a fine partner and future queen.

And yet... he felt as though something was missing for him.

Sighing now, Prince Charming shifted in his seat, bracing himself for his mother's next selection. If he could
 somehow escape, he would.

The queen rose to her feet, and the prince readied for an introduction, but the doors to the ballroom swung

of clothing he'd ever
 watched. Tripping on
 on the marble floor.
 in the air, and kicked

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search for the Mermaid Princess, collect items to remember
 adventure. Shells make nice memorabilia! Once you complete each
 challenge, copy (Ctrl+C) and paste (Ctrl+V) your seashell onto this
 beautiful beach.

Mermaid Princess Decoder

Use the following codes for each challenge to collect your seashells and move to the next challenge.

| Challenge 1 | Challenge 2 | Challenge 3 | Challenge 4 |
|--|---|--|---|
| Question 1 a = We b = Just c = Several d = In | Question 1 a = She b = The c = I'm d = Well | Question 1 a = The b = Well, c = I d = No, | Question 1 a = They b = It c = We d = The |
| Question 2 a = clown b = the c = past d = where | Question 2 a = noticed b = dream c = felt d = never | Question 2 a = had b = time c = she d = we | Question 2 a = we b = ha c = ge d = e |
| Question 3 a = the b = middle c = fish d = it | Question 3 a = over b = then | Question 3 a = beautiful b = bright | |
| Question 4 a = dark b = then c = blue d = and | Question 4 a = in b = around | Question 5 a = the b = ocean c = many d = treasure | Question 5 a = there. b = treasure. c = human. |
| Question 5 a = the b = ocean c = many d = treasure | Question 6 a = floor. b = anemones. c = stingrays. d = coral. | | |

Catch the Mermaid

Recording Brochure

Record your challenge answers during your adventure.

| | Answer | Code |
|----|--------|------|
| 1. | D | No, |
| 2. | C | she |
| 3. | A | Must |
| 4. | | |
| 5. | | |
| 6. | | |

Did you spot the mermaid stuck in it?

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MISSION COMPLETE!

(Name)

has successfully completed the challenges and found the mermaid!

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Mermaid Princess

Ooops!

you scared away the fish in the coral reef!

YOU MUST STAY QUIET FOR 5 MINUTES. NO SPEAKING!

- OOPS! Cards for differentiation

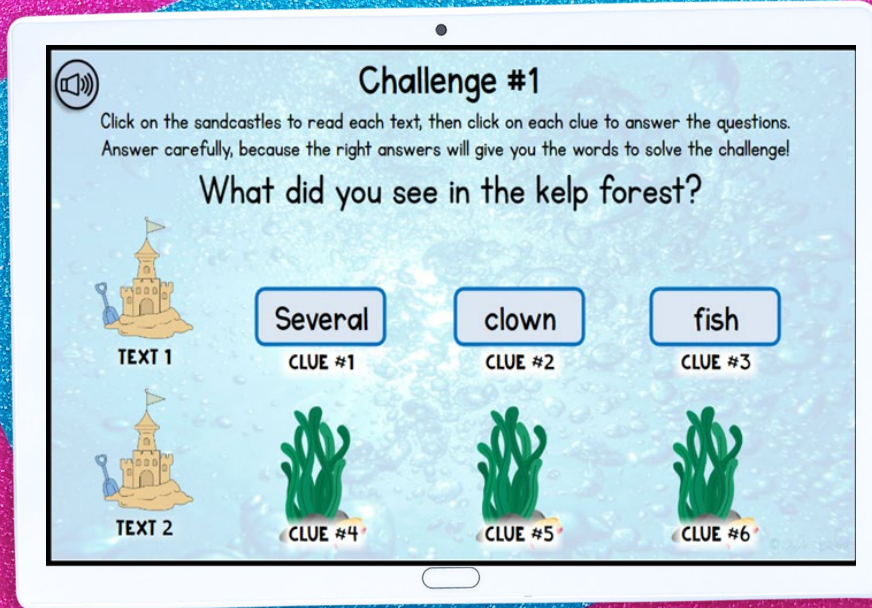
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1.

Jitters

My palms were coated in sweat, but I had nowhere to wipe them because I was already wearing my dance costume. I'd look silly if I went out on stage with two wet handprints on my pants. I didn't even know why I was so nervous. I'd practiced my routines a billion times both at the dance studio and at home. If I made my mom and brothers watch me rehearse one more time, they were probably going to explode. I was definitely ready, but my brain insisted on making my heart pound, my stomach churn, and my palms sweat.

Actually... it wasn't just my palms that were sweating. It was more of an all-over body sweat.

I took a really deep inhale, hoping that might settle me, but all it did was make me dizzy. *Great.* Now I had to worry about passing out.

"We're almost up," my best friend, Ami, cheered. She didn't look nervous at all, of course. "There isn't an empty seat out there in the theater." She jogged over to where the rest of the dancers were lined up, waiting excitedly for our turn.

Super: Tons of eyes would be on me, and I'd either be drenched in sweat or unconscious on the stage. Neither of those were good looks. What if I tripped? What if I forgot the steps? What if I threw up?

A hand rested on my shoulder as I fought to not be sick, and I looked up to see my grandmother standing beside me. Something about her kind eyes and slightly upturned lips instantly calmed me. She tucked a strand of my hair back into its ponytail and brushed lint off the sleeve of my costume.

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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.

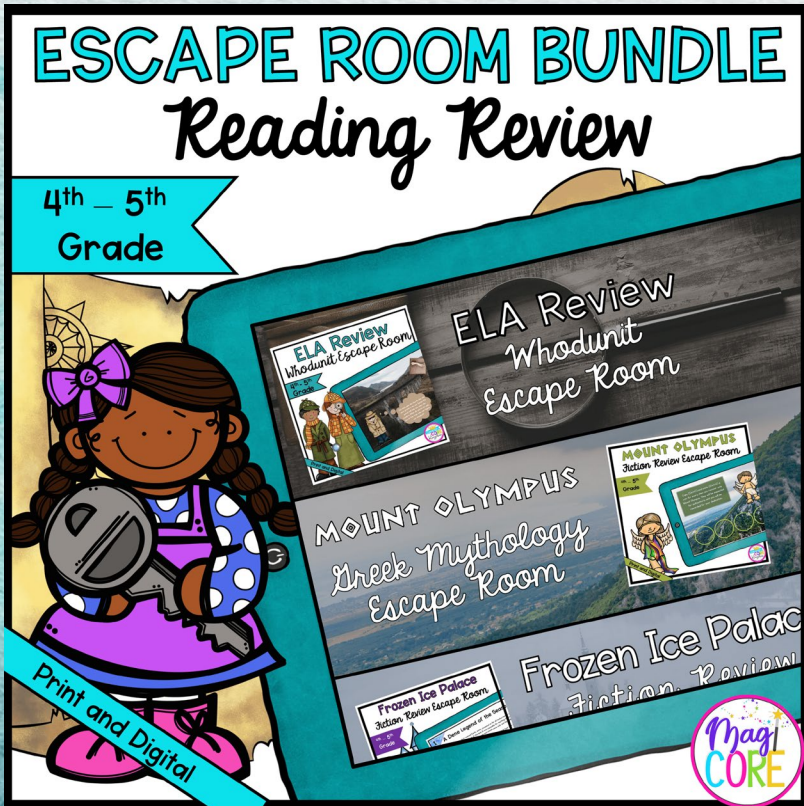
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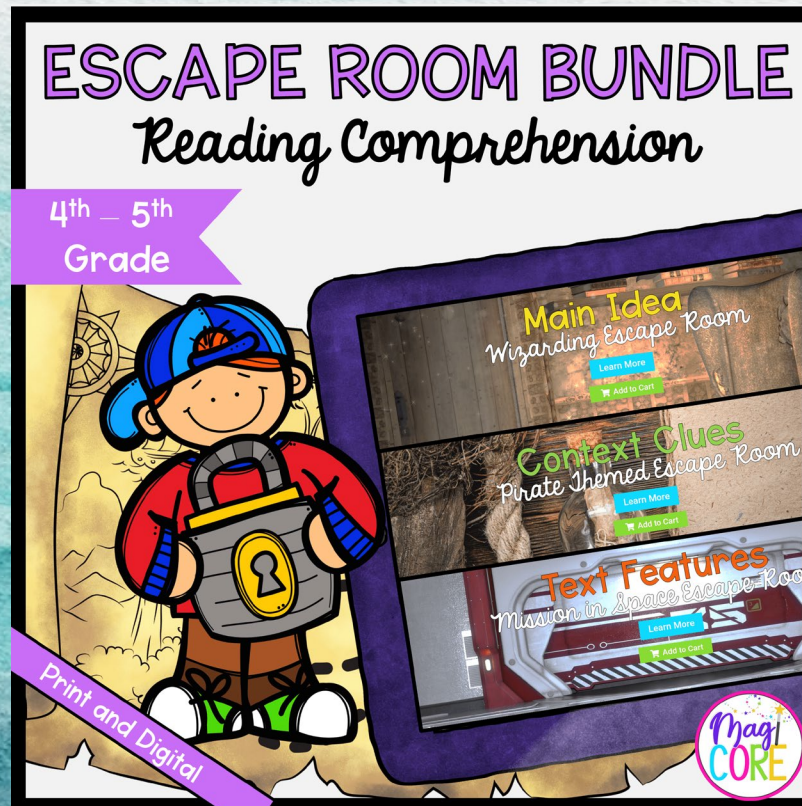
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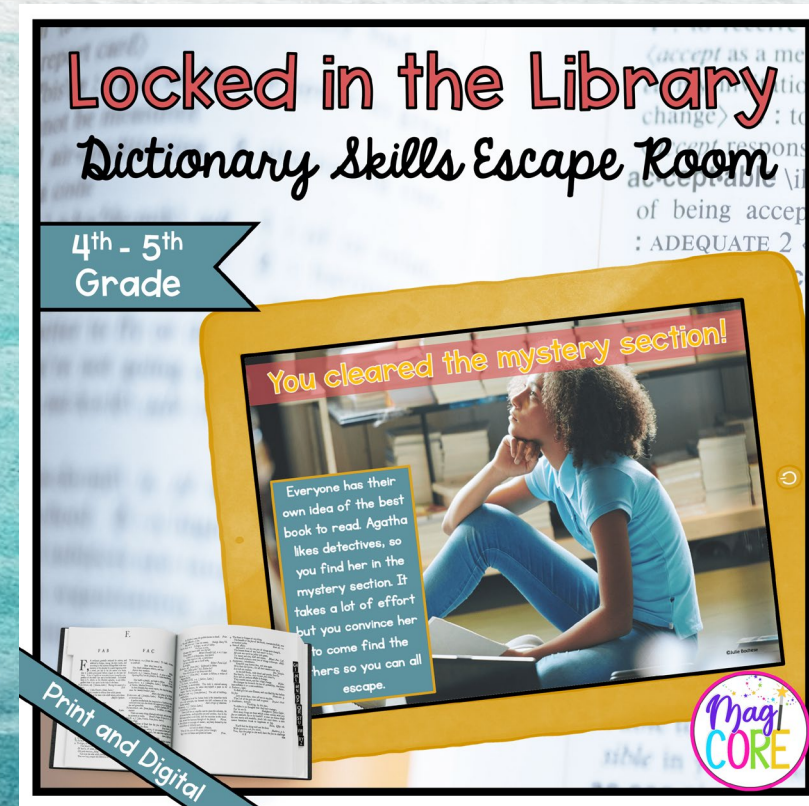
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You cleared the mystery section!

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.

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