

4th & 5th Grade

Blizzard Games

Winter Sports Escape Room



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Win the Blizzard Games!

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

The Blizzard Games only happen once a year...
I hope you brought your A-game! Let's go!

Challenge #1: Finish the figure skating competition to win a bronze medal!

Challenge #2: Finish the skiing competition to win a silver medal!

Challenge #3: Finish the snowboarding competition to win another bronze medal!

Challenge #4: Finish the ice hockey competition to win a gold medal!

After each challenge, collect your medal and hang it
on your bedroom wall for all to see.

Get Started!

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Challenge #1

1. Summarize the passages to compete in the figure skating competition.

2. Use your answers to win a bronze medal.

3. Collect your medal after the challenge and hang it on your bedroom wall.



1.

Ski Biking

Humans are always inventing new ways to have fun. Crossing skis and a bike is one winter sport that is gaining popularity in the United States. Ski biking has been enjoyed in Europe for a while now. Americans are just catching on to how thrilling this activity can be.

In ski biking, the frame of a bicycle is combined with two skis instead of wheels. The design is aerodynamic, and the skis are flexible. The force of gravity allows these unique bikes to descend the slopes. Forget traveling over asphalt, rocks, roots, or dirt. Fresh snow is the preferred terrain for these bikes. Riders of ski bikes also wear skate skis. This allows their feet to slide down the mountain along with the bike.

While ski biking is similar to regular skiing, the major difference is that athletes have the option to sit instead of stand. Handlebars are used to steer just like when riding a normal bicycle. Due to the stable design of these bikes, it is easier to learn how to ride them than it is to learn how to ski or snowboard. You also don't have to pedal to the top of the mountain once your run is through. A ski bike is made to travel

on the ski lifts. You can hold it vertically and let it dangle from the lift. You can also rest it across your lap while you ride up.

Right now, ski bikes are rather expensive. Their prices range from \$1,700 to \$3,000. Ski biking events, such as the internationally-recognized Hoodoo Ski Bike Festival in Oregon, are popping up more and more. In time, ski biking may become a favorite activity for winter sports lovers everywhere.



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 - d. Description

2. What is a key informational detail from the text?
 - a. People who like regular skiing like bike skiing too.
 - b. Ski biking has been popular in Europe for a while and is starting to become popular in the U.S.
 - c. Ski biking is most popular in Oregon because that is where the Hoodoo Ski Bike Festival is hosted every year.
 - d. Kids can ski bike more easily than regular skiing.

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4 Reading Challenges

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

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Skeleton at the Winter Olympics

Did you know that the word skeleton doesn't only refer to that system of bones that gives your body its shape? Skeleton is also a winter sport featured at the Olympics!

What is Skeleton?

Skeleton is an intense sledding sport. Athletes begin by crouching over their small sleds which are made of steel and fiberglass. The sleds weigh about 77 to 95 pounds. Next, they push those sleds as fast as they can for about the first 50 meters on the track. Their shoes have tiny spikes on them, so they don't slip. Then, they jump onto the moving sled and race headfirst down a long, narrow track made of ice. The ice track has curves and slopes downward for about 1,200 to 1,500 meters. The athletes flatten their bodies and wear sleek suits and helmets to both protect themselves and to be more aerodynamic. Competitors shift their body weight and adjust their legs and shoulders to steer the sled. Speeds greater than 90 miles per hour can be reached in the sport of skeleton. Each athlete is allowed four runs down the track. The winner is the person with the lowest combined time. It's possible to win by a few hundredths of a second!



Where Did Skeleton Start?

This extreme sport began in Switzerland in the late 1800s. Skeleton was once known as tobogganing. An English tobogganer used a new kind of metal sled in 1892. Skeleton may have gotten its name from this new kind of sled because it resembled a skeleton.

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- a. What skeleton is
- b. How skeleton started
- c. The sport of skeleton
- d. How skeleton feels

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- a. Then, they jump onto the moving sled and race headfirst down a long, narrow track made of ice.
- b. Skeleton is also a winter sport featured at the Olympics!
- c. Skeleton looks smooth to viewers, but it is actually rough on the human body.
- d. Skeleton was once known as tobogganing.

3. Which of the following is a key informational detail from the text?

- a. Sometimes racers sled at speeds faster than 90 miles per hour.
- b. Skeleton tracks have several curves.
- c. Sometimes racers wear helmets.



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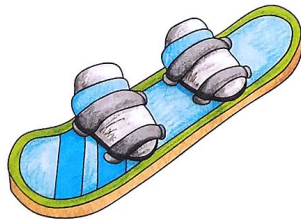
- Themed videos integrated throughout the Escape Room to keep kids engaged.
- Students work in groups, partners, or independently.

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Snowboarding Competition!

Enter your answers in the Blizzard Games Decoder to see if you are ready to win another bronze medal!



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



DO NOT go to the next page until you've answered the question on your brochure!



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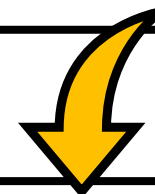
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Print

- Cut and paste stamps for each challenge
- Easy to follow
- Optimal for group or partner work
- Recording brochure for answers
- Self-checking decoder

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Blizzard Games Decoder

Use the following codes for each challenge to collect your medal and move on to the next competition.

Challenge 1	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4	Question 5	Question 6
	a = We b = Just c = Where d = A	a = over b = perfect c = past d = where	a = the b = ten c = around d = then	a = out b = deep c = I'll d = around	a = the b = snow c = of d = sea	a = floor b = ten c = map d = trench

Challenge 2	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4	Question 5	Question 6
	a = For b = The c = I d = We	a = noticed b = saw c = felt d = about	a = over b = twelve c = some d = the	a = huge b = bright c = clear d = to	a = massive b = fourteen c = gleaming d = twelve	a = decades b = months c = years d = days

Challenge 3	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4	Question 5	Question 6
	a = For b = Many c = Yes, I d = We			a = fish b = over c = with	a = and b = over c = with	a = snow b = inhale c = winter d = coral

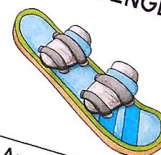
Challenge 4	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3	Question 4	Question 5	Question 6
	a = I b = It c = We d = They					

Blizzard Games Recording Brochure



Record your
challenge answers
during your
competition.

CHALLENGE 3



	Answer	Code
1.	C	Yes, I
2.	B	always
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		

Do you wear goggles
when you snowboard?

After each challenge, cut out your medal and hang it on your bedroom wall for all to see.

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- Certificate of completion
- OOPS! Cards for differentiation

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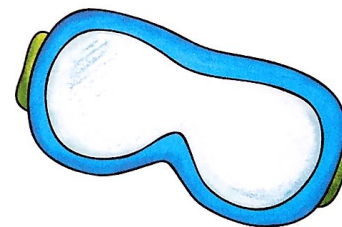
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and walked away with four winning medals!

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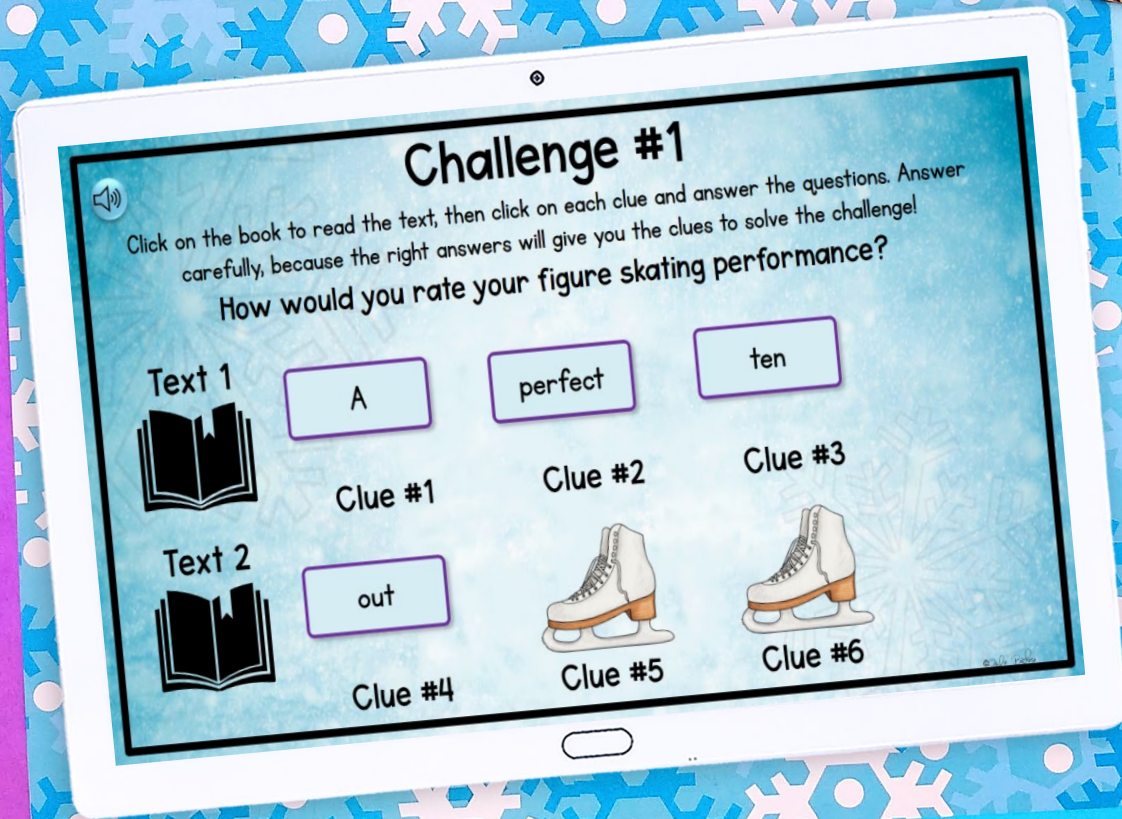
Oops!

You dropped your ski goggles on the mountain!



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MINUTES!

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

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Webscape TM

- 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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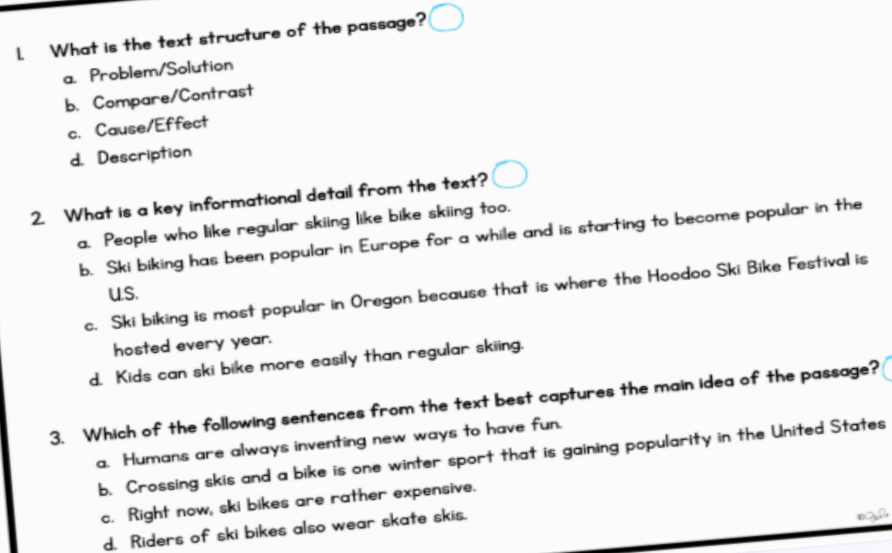


Google Slides

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

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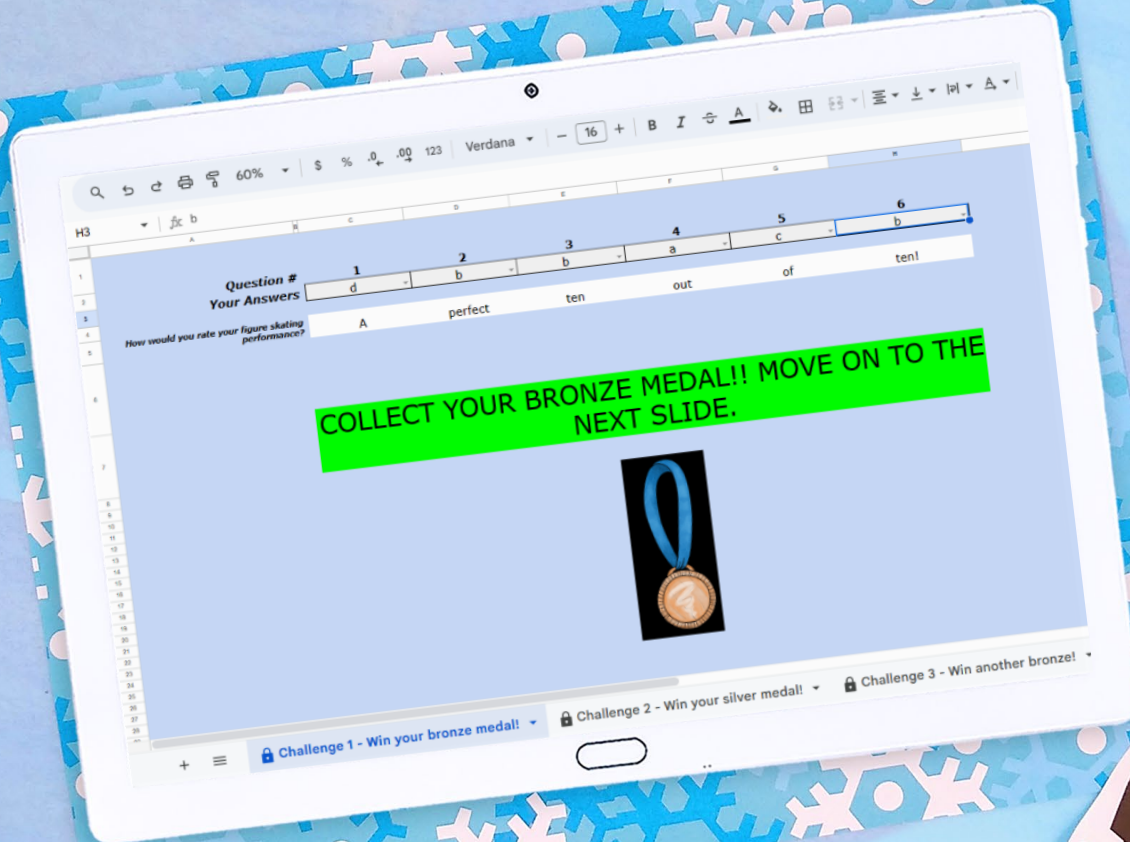


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- The image shows a tablet with a white bezel and a home button at the bottom. The screen displays a Google Slides presentation with a blue and white snowflake border. The slide contains three questions about ski biking. The background of the entire image is a collage of colorful paper (purple, blue, yellow) with various winter-themed decorations like snowflake clips, a gold medal, and a pink ski boot.
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Google Slides

- 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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