

# ABOUT THIS PACKET

Each reading passage in this packet allows students to work on comprehension skills after reading the passage several times searching for evidence.

## OVERVIEW

### THE CASE

Read the case aloud to your students so they understand the mission.

### QUESTIONS

There are 18 questions to be answered by reading the passage and marking the text evidence.

### CLUES

After answering each question, the students will **erase** their answer choice on their answer sheet. After all questions have been answered, the suspect, evidence, and location will be revealed.

GRADE LEVEL	RANGE
4	BEGINNING
4	MIDDLE
5	BEGINNING
5	MIDDLE
5	END
6	BEGINNING
6	MIDDLE
6	END
7	BEGINNING

# OTTOMAN EMPIRE

The Ottoman Empire, commonly known as the Turkish Empire, is the name of a series of the monarchy led by a Sultan (ruler). The Empire began its dominance (power and influence) in what is now the countries around Greece, Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania, Hungary, and some of their neighbors. They controlled the eastern and southern lands around the Mediterranean Sea. The Ottoman Empire was ruled by thirty-six Sultans, also known as the Padishahs, for about 600 years from 1299-1923.

The Ottoman Empire was named after its founder, Osman I, with the first capital being at Bursa. The people under Osman I were Muslim Turks (followers of Islam). The Turks were people who had come from central Asia to settle in Anatolia (present-day Turkey). From 1517 onwards, the Sultan was also the Caliph of Islam, or the Islamic leader. The Empire started in what is now Eastern Turkey and spread to overtake the city of Constantinople from the Byzantine Empire in 1453. They renamed the city Istanbul and made it their capital. The Sultan lived in the elaborate Topkapi Palace in Istanbul. At its peak, the Ottoman Empire was a collection of 32 provinces. The Sultan sent Pasha (governors) to rule these territories.

By 1516, the Ottomans took over Syria, followed by conquering Egypt, and then a year later they conquered Algeria in Africa. The empire reached its peak under the rule of Suleiman the Magnificent from 1520 to 1566. His nickname was "The Lawgiver". At that time, the Ottoman Empire was well known for their ability to fight well. They trained their soldiers in arm-to-arm combat, as well as extensive training in weapons use. The armies of the Ottoman Empire were fearsome and strong for many years. The Ottoman Empire also had an impressive navy at their command. Because of the protection given to the empire by their army and navy, trade was extensive in the Ottoman Empire.

Then, in the 1600s, a line of bad rulers put the Ottoman Empire in

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Who was Algeria?



Europe



Asia



Africa



South America

4

What word means 'to be against'?



Opposition



Reform



Sultan



Padishah

5

The Ottoman Empire is commonly known as the \_\_\_ Empire.



Ming



Han



British



Turkish

6

Who founded the Republic of Turkey?



Osman I



Atatürk



Mustafa



Suleiman

7

What type of government was the start of the Ottoman Empire?



Federal System



Republican



Democracy



Absolute monarchy

8

The Empire controlled the lands around the \_\_\_\_ Sea.



Arctic



Caribbean



Timor



Mediterranean

9

In the \_\_\_\_, the Empire tried to make themselves more modern.



1700s



1800s



1400s



1500s

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The Ottoman Empire was ruled by \_\_\_\_ sultans.



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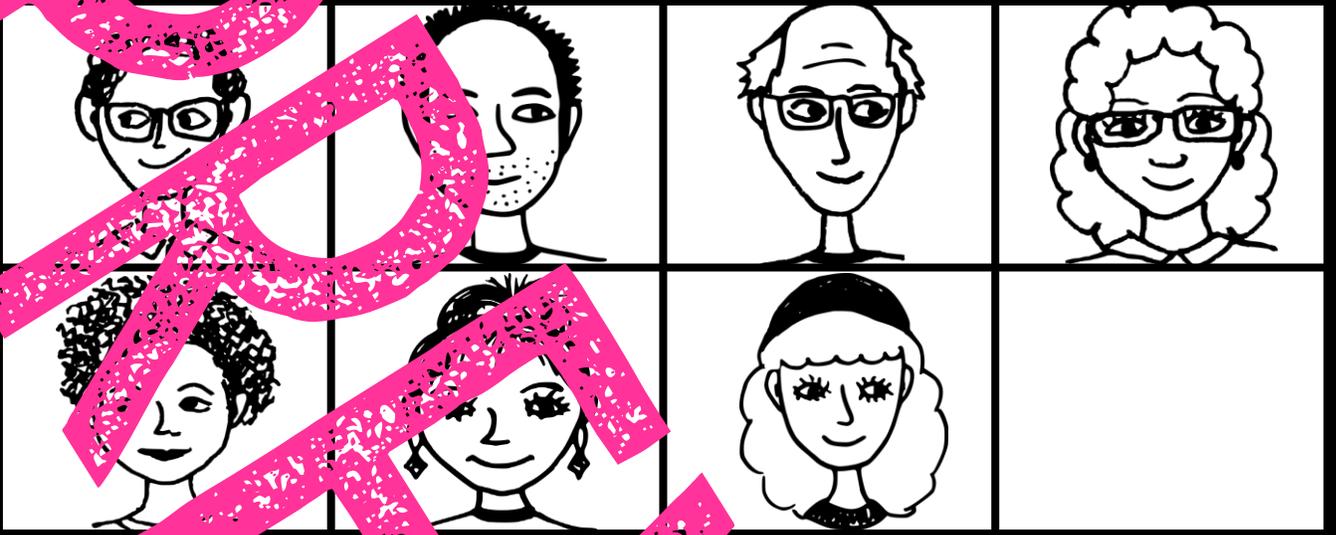


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# CASE FILE

Cross out the images you use as an answer. What remains will solve the case!

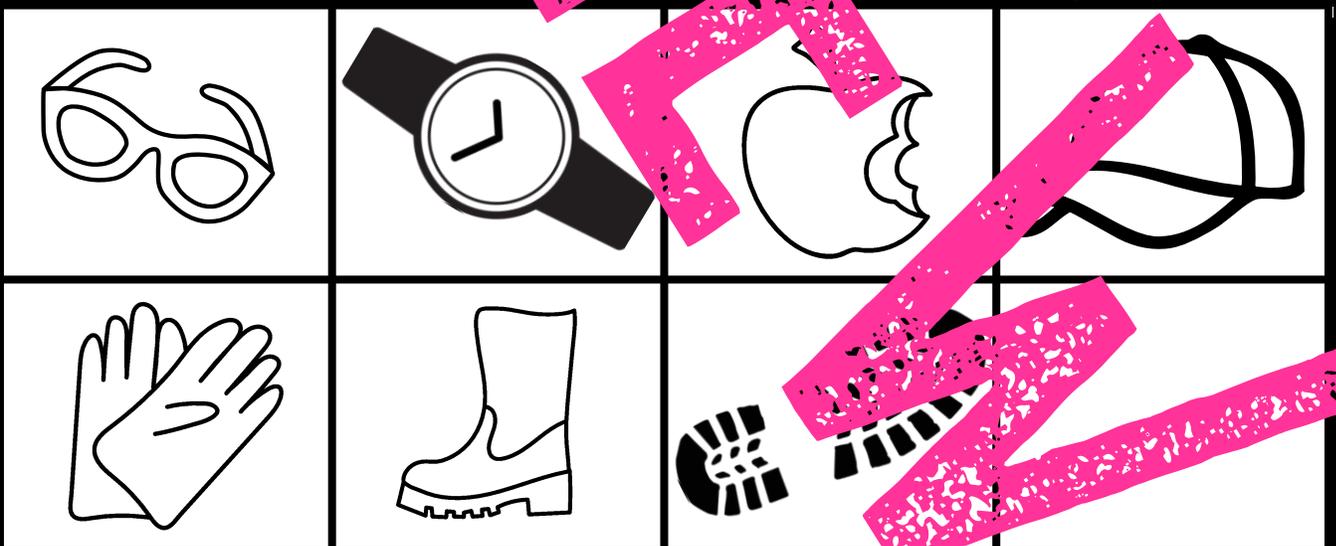
SUSPECTS



LOCATION



EVIDENCE



CONGRATULATIONS

YOU SOLVED  
THE CASE!



LEAD DETECTIVE NAME:

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