ABOUT THIS PACKET

The Close Reading Activities in this packet allow students to work on comprehension skills and reading the passage several times searching for evidence.

TASK	OVERVIEW
TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANK	The Fill in the Blank task has students using context clues to insert the correct answer. Certain words are omitted, and students will use the word bank to find the correct answer. Once they complete this task, they'll use the passage to complete the remaining tasks.
TASK 2: FIND AND FIX	Students will read 10 INCORRECT statements, find the correct answer in the reading passage and then rewrite the CORRECT sentence.
TASK 3: TRUE OR FALSE	Now that students have read the passage several times, they should be able to answer the True or False questions with very little reference back to the reading. This task helps to show overall comprehension of the passage. The end result will be a secret code word.
TASK 4: MAIN IDEA	Students will complete a graphic organizer about the main idea. They will need to write TWO main ideas or summary statements. They will then need to provide 3 pieces of supporting details from the text for each main idea.

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

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CASE FILE DOSSIER

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

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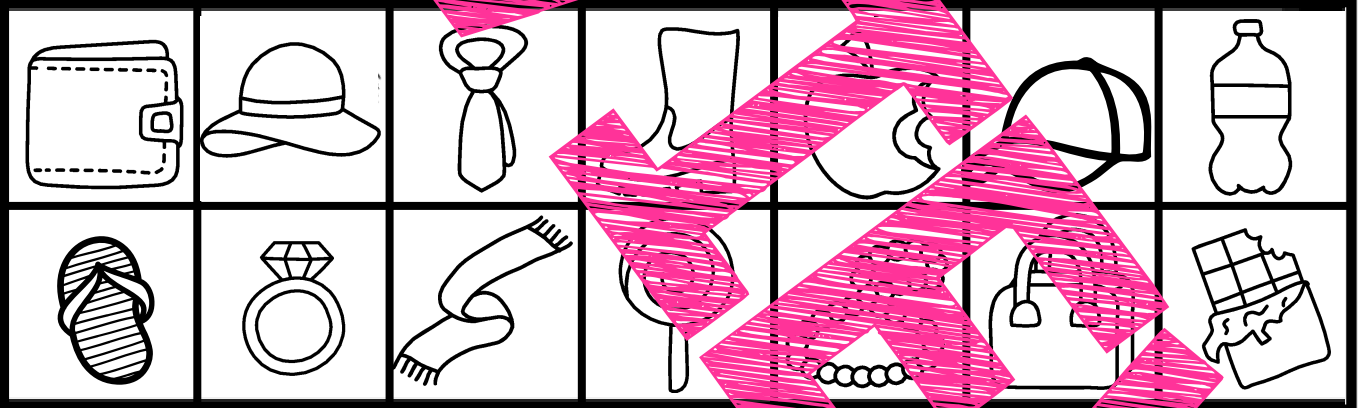
LOCATION

EVIDENCE



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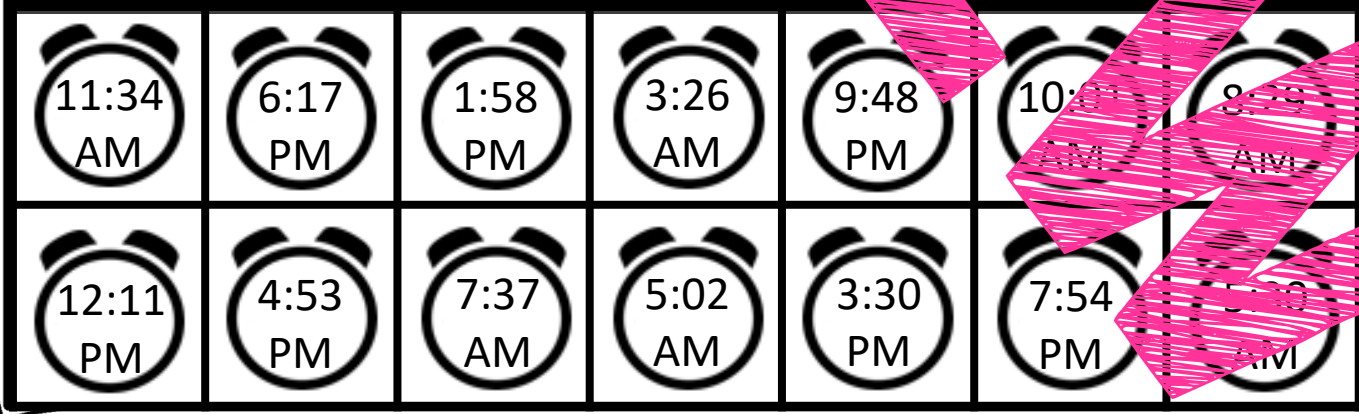

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TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANK

EARN THIS!

Directions: Use the words below to fill in the reading.

three	745	American
salt	taxes	leave
people	wealthy	king

Before the French Revolution, France was a country ruled by a _____ and nobles. The people of France rose up on July 14, 1789, to take control, and later overthrew the monarchy (king or queen), becoming a republic. This meant it was now a country ruled by the _____.

France was divided into _____ estates, or groups, based on social status. The First Estate was made up of clergy (church leaders). The Second Estate was made up of nobles (_____ landowners) who lived luxurious (expensive) lives. The Third Estate was made up of commoners. They were the hardest working group who also had to pay the most in _____.

France had recently fought in wars including the _____ Revolution and the Seven Years War in Europe, which made the country go into debt (to owe money). As a result, new taxes were placed on crops and the price of food was very high. Roughly 97% of France's population struggled to survive and the remaining 3% lived a life of wealth. The commoners in the Third Estate were fed up with how they were being treated. They were outraged by the "gabelle," a tax on _____. The problems resulted in King Louis XVI calling for a large assembly of the Estates-General to decide what to do.

The king and the first two Estates would not make any changes to help the Third Estate. In defiance (resistance), the Third Estate broke away and established the "National Assembly". The National Assembly would work to make changes on behalf of the commoners. The National Assembly included _____ members known as deputies.

On July 14, 1789, 1,000 men broke into a fort used a as prison in Paris called Bastille. The group helped seven prisoners escape who were being held there by the government. This was a show of power and marked the start of the French Revolution, known as the "Storming of the Bastille". Other parts of France began to form groups and overthrow nobles. Some nobles tried to flee (_____) the country.

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TASK 2: FIND & FIX

Read the INCORRECT statements and FIX the underlined errors on the line below. Rewrite the sentence to make it a CORRECT statement.

EARN THIS!

1. France was divided into six estates or groups.

2. Roughly 95% of France's population struggled to survive.

3. In 1991, France became a republic again and stayed that way.

4. 1,000 men broke into a fort used as a prison in Paris called the Louvre.

5. The Revolution spread all over France and lasted for 16 years.

6. The "gabelle" was a tax on printed documents.

7. After the Jacobins, a group called The Loyal Nine took power.

8. The First Estate was made up of commoners.

9. Today in France, January 14, is celebrated as French National Day.

10. A group called the Jacobins took over in 1887.

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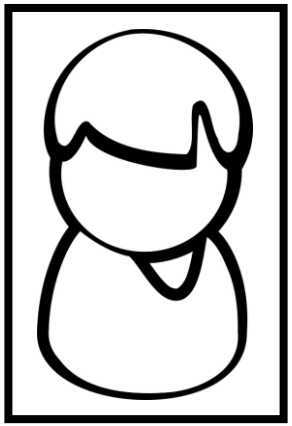
LEAD DETECTIVE



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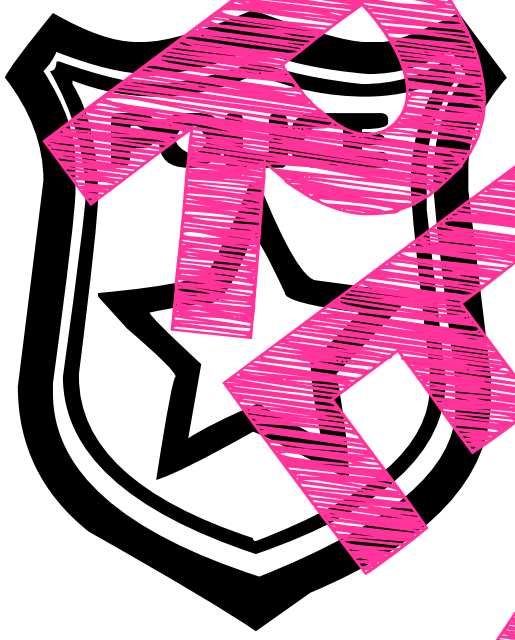

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CLUE CARD #4

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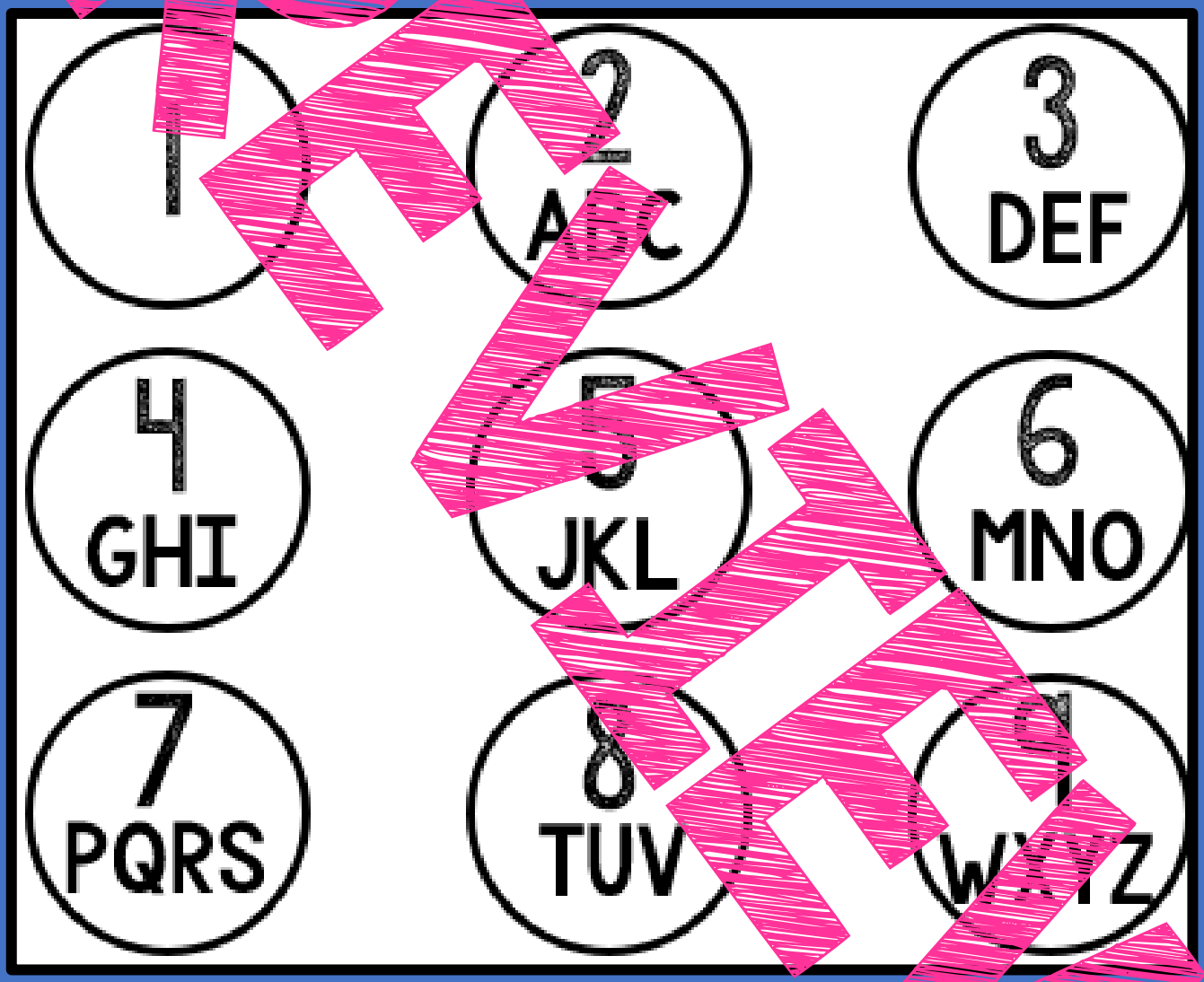

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TO ENTER

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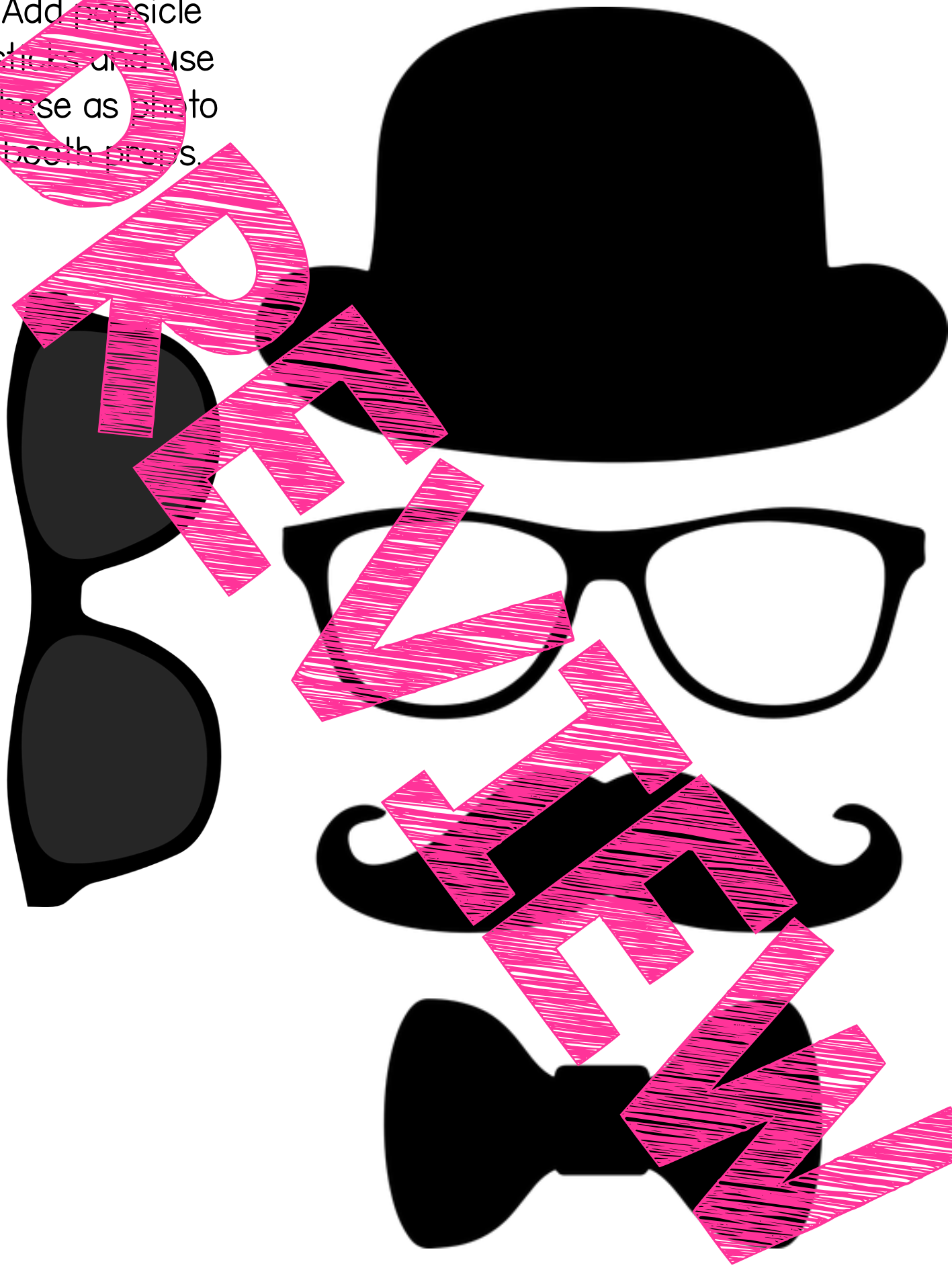

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SUSPECT #1

SUSPECT #2

SUSPECT #3

SUSPECT #4

SUSPECT #5

SUSPECT #6

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SUSPECT CAUGHT!
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MUST SHOW BADGE
UPON ENTRY

SPARK SOME *creativity*

- ESCAPE ROOMS
- SCAVENGER HUNTS
- SPY MYSTERY
- TEXT DETECTIVE
- SECRET MESSAGES
- THINKTIVITY
- BREAKOUTS
- READING CHALLENGE
- INTERACTIVE NOTEBOOK
- DIGITAL ESCAPES
- DIGITAL BOARD GAME
- COLOR BY NUMBER
- TASK CARDS GAME
- GOOGLE SLIDES
- GOOGLE FORMS
- PUZZLE STATIONS
- BOOM CARDS
- BLOG