

MARCO POLO

COMPREHENSION

FILL IN THE BLANK

Use the words below to fill in the reading.

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Mongolia Asia

join tea

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was a merchant and explorer born in Venice, Italy around
for his travels along the Silk Road. The Silk Road was a s
merchants to _____, and spices. It was a dangerous 4,000
in, _____, and rough terrain. Marco bravely traveled to pa
bandits, and rough terrain. Marco bravely traveled to C
he knew nothing about _____ when Marco was si
co came from a family of merchants, people who travel
goods. His father Niccolo and uncle Maffeo traveled to C
Emperor Kublai _____ when Marco was si
reigned over the Mongol Empire and Yuan dynasty for
eff to be raised by an uncle and aunt after his mother
The Mongol Empire covered half of the continent of
Kublai Khan liked the Polos and asked them to return to C
ach him about European culture. At that time, China v
years after they returned to Italy, the Polos prepared
This time, 17-year-old Marco was _____
The journey to China was _____
The journey to China was _____
The journey to China was _____
The journey to China was _____

TASK 5: TRUE OR FALSE

Directions: Answer each question below by coloring in the box of the TRUE statements. Next, unscramble the word using the large bold letters of only the TRUE statements.

Marco Polo died on January 8, 1352, in Paris, France.	The book <i>Il Milione</i> included seven volumes.	The Mongol Empire covered half of the continent of Asia.	The last mission for the Khan was to escort the Mongolian princess to England.
S	B	C	V
Rustichello was a writer who was fascinated by Marco's travels.	Kublai Khan reigned over the Mongol Empire and Tang dynasty.	In 1299, Marco was released from prison.	At that time, China was known as Shang-Tu.
R	O	N	D
Marco Polo introduced paper money to Italy.	The journey to China was difficult and took over six years.	The Silk Road was a series of trade routes.	In 1295, the Polos returned home because Kublai Khan was terribly ill.
H	W	T	A
Volume II was about the wars of the Mongol Empire.	"The Travels of Marco Polo" is also known as <i>Il Milione</i> .	Marco never learned how to speak Chinese.	In 1300, Marco married and later had three children.
G	M	I	E

SECRET WORD

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TASK 4: TEXT

Directions: Find the answers in the text or color them with the correct color.

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Directions: Place the following m

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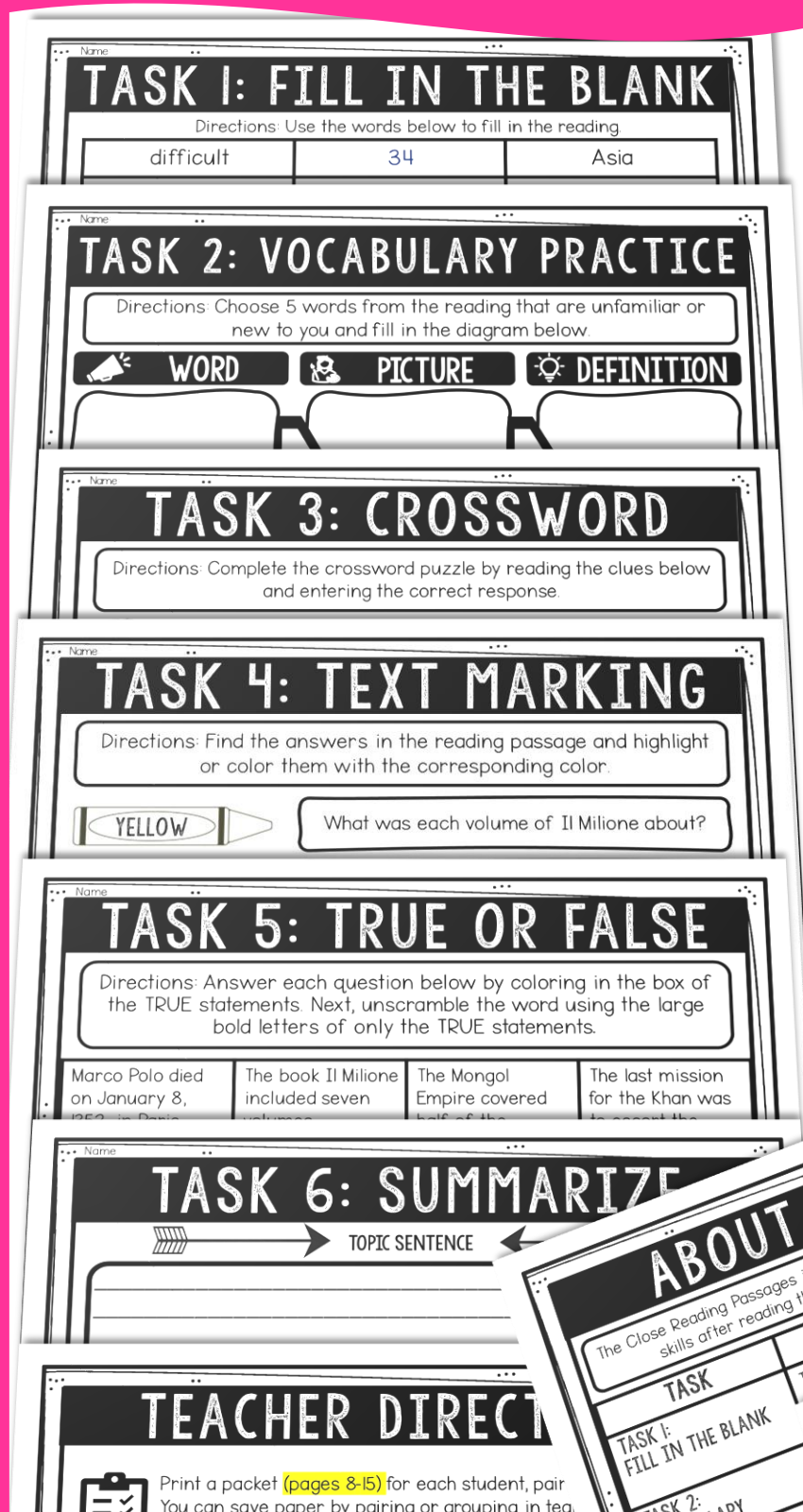
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WHAT'S INCLUDED?

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- ✓ Task 4: Text Marking
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- ✓ Teacher Guide



6 TASKS

6: SUMMARIZE

TOPIC SENTENCE


SUPPORTING DETAIL

SUPPORTING DETAIL

DETAIL

TASK 3: CROSSWORD

Directions: Complete the crossword puzzle by reading the clues below and entering the correct response.



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TASK 2: VOCAB

Directions: Choose 5 words from new to you and fill in

WORD

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WORD

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WORD

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5: TRUE OR FALSE

Answer each question below by coloring in the box of statements. Next, unscramble the word using the large bold letters of only the TRUE statements.

<input type="checkbox"/>	The book <i>Il Milione</i> included seven volumes.	C	The last mission for the Khan to escort the Mongolian princess to England.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kublai Khan reigned over the Mongol Empire and Tang dynasty.	B	In 1299, Marco was released from prison.
<input type="checkbox"/>	The journey to China was years.	O	The Silk Road was a trade route between the East and West.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marco Polo traveled to China.	S	Marco Polo was a merchant and explorer born in Venice, Italy.
<input type="checkbox"/>	"The Travels of Marco Polo" is known as <i>Il Milione</i> .	N	Marco Polo was a merchant and explorer born in Venice, Italy.

TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

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

difficult	34	Asia
negotiate	Mongolia	teach
trade	join	Kh

Marco Polo was a merchant and explorer born in Venice, Italy. He is well-known for his travels along the Silk Road. The Silk Road was a network of trade routes used by merchants to _____ fine silk cloth, _____ well as porcelain, _____, and spices. It was a dangerous world with thieves, bandits, and rough terrain. Marco bravely traveled to _____ world that he knew nothing about.

Marco came from a family of merchants, people who travel to _____ to trade goods. His father Niccolò and uncle Maffeo traveled to _____ Mongol Emperor Kublai _____ when Marco was _____ Khan reigned over the Mongol Empire and Yuan dynasty for _____ was left to be raised by an uncle and aunt after his mother _____ The Mongol Empire covered half of the continent of _____ Kublai Khan _____ the Polos and asked them to return to China _____ about European culture. At that time, China was _____ after they returned to Italy, the Polos prepared for _____ this time, 17-year-old Marco would _____ The journey _____ three years _____ traveled 15,000 miles across _____ they followed the Silk Road. They crossed _____ desert, finally arriving at Shang-Tu (the summer _____ In 1275, the Polos arrived in _____ met with the emperor Kublai Khan. Over the next 17 _____ emperor as an emissary. Being an emissary meant _____ emperor to represent him and _____ traveled through China, India, and all the way _____

TASK 4: TEXT

Directions: Find the answers in the text or color them with the color.

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What was each _____

How long did _____

What was the Polos _____

What goods were trad _____

How long did Marco w _____

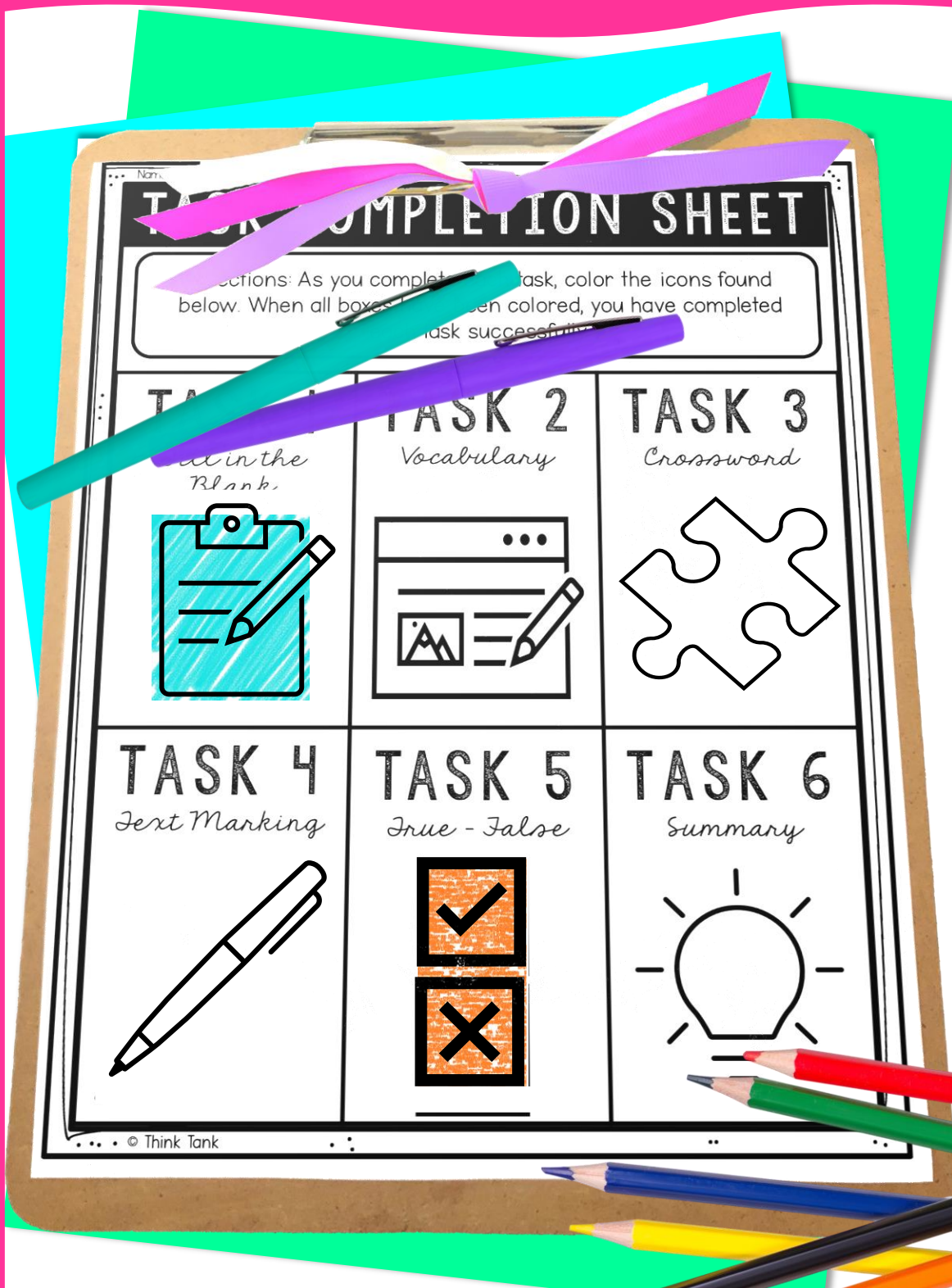
What was Shar _____

Directions: Place the following main sentence in the reading passage.

? Something you have a question do not understand

! Something that _____

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As students complete each task, they will bring you their answers for you to quickly check. After checking, they can color in the box on the completion sheet. They will repeat the process until all 6 boxes are colored in.