

PLANET MARS

COMPREHENSION

ALL IN THE BLANK

Use the words below to fill in the reading.

1610	higher
years	fourth
red	Phobos

_____ planet from the sun in the Solar System.

Red Planet because iron minerals found in the soil and _____.

The color comes from rusting rocks. _____.

_____ The color can be easily seen from _____.

_____ and has been observed _____.

_____ named after the Roman god of war.

_____ planet where humans have searched for life the most. Go _____.

_____ through a telescope in _____.

_____ The planet was _____.

_____ years ago when gravity caused gas and dust to swirl _____.

_____ the fourth terrestrial planet, along with Mercury, Venus, _____.

_____ central core of _____, magnesium, aluminum _____.

_____ Earth, Mars has a rocky mantle (between 770-1,170 miles _____).

_____ and a solid crust. The surface of Mars is dry and _____.

_____ is the second _____.

_____ half the size of Earth. It has a lower mass and _____.

_____ Earth. Because of its lower mass, gravity on Mars is _____.

_____ Did you know you can jump three times _____.

_____ Mars takes 24.6 hours, almost _____.

_____ Mars takes 687 days _____.

_____ it is _____.

_____ farther _____.

_____ and _____.

_____ Like _____.

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.

Mars is the second planet from the sun in the Solar System.	Evidence of a lake was found under the southern polar ice cap of Mars in 2018.	Mars is one of the four inner terrestrial planets.	Mars was named after the Greek goddess of beauty.
R	E	C	B
It takes sunlight about 13 minutes to reach Mars.	Mars cannot be seen from Earth without a telescope.	Mars is about half the size of Earth.	Olympus Mons is the biggest crater in the Solar System.
P	D	T	I
For Mars, a revolution around the sun, or a year, takes 982 days.	One rotation or day on Mars takes 24.6 hours.	Valles Marineris is nineteen miles deep.	Phobos goes around Mars three times in one Martian day.
A	L	M	O
Mars has four moons.	On the surface of Mars, inactive volcanoes and mountains can be found.	Mars is similar to Earth in many ways.	The surface of Mars is dry and full of rocks.
H	E	S	E

SECRET WORD

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TASK 4: TEXT

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

YELLOW

BLUE

GREEN

PINK

Why _____?

What is the _____?

What are the _____?

How long does _____?

What are the two _____?

What is the highest _____?

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

Some _____ do _____.

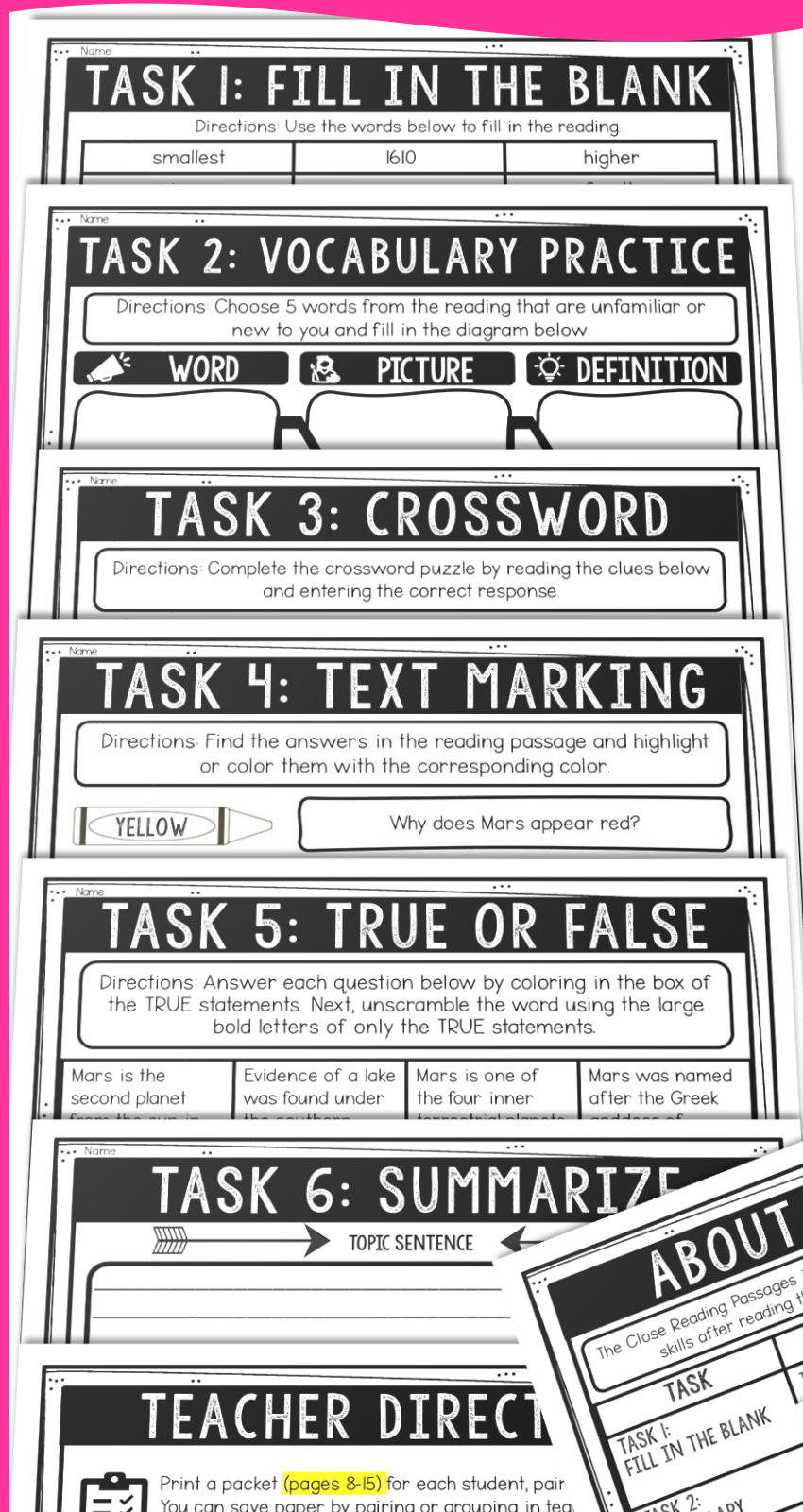
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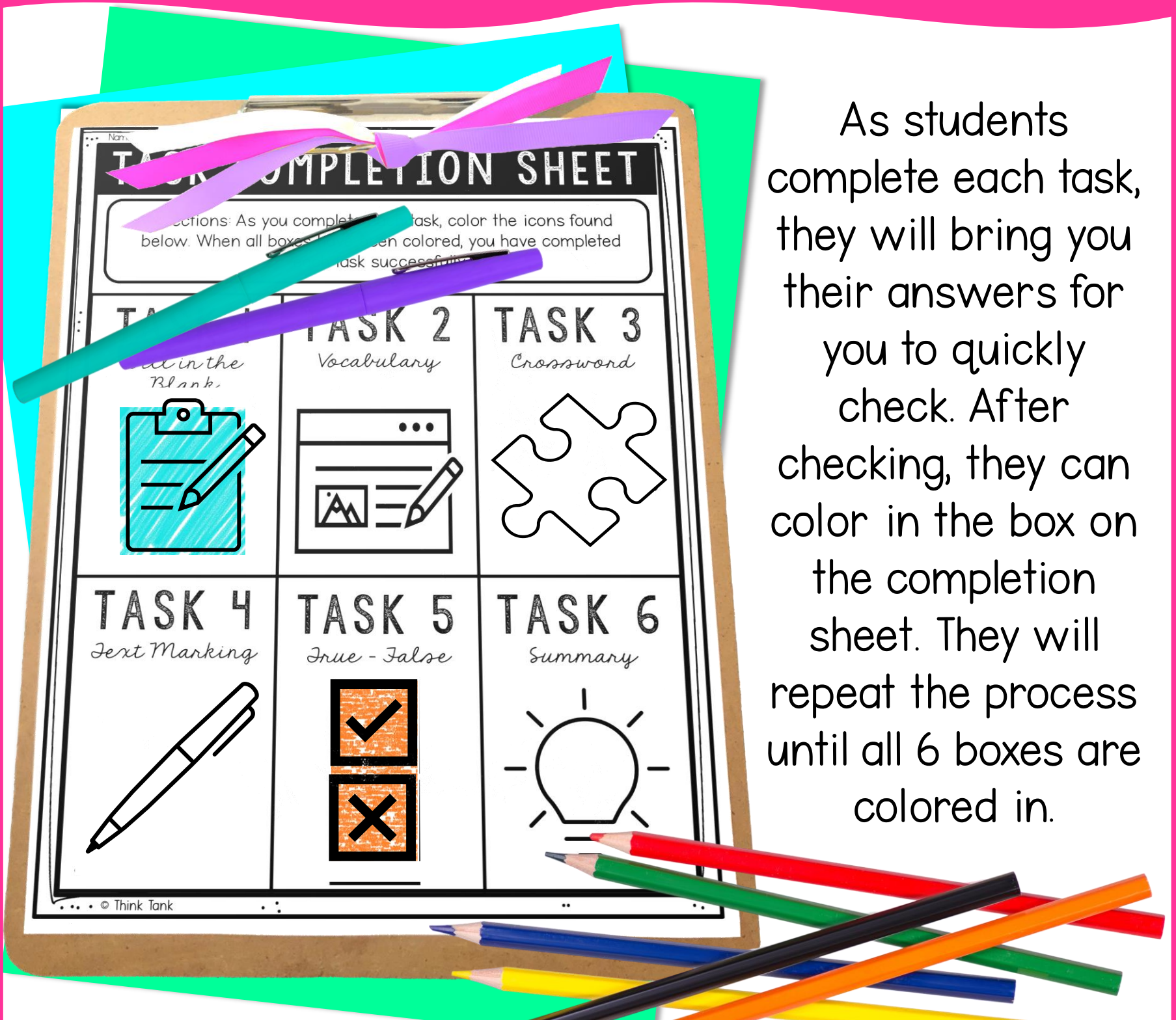


- ✓ Task 1: Fill in the Blank
- ✓ Task 2: Vocabulary
- ✓ Task 3: Crossword Puzzle
- ✓ Task 4: Text Marking
- ✓ Task 5: True or False
- ✓ Task 6: Graphic Organizer
- ✓ Student Completion Sheet
- ✓ Teacher Answer Key
- ✓ Teacher Guide



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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.



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