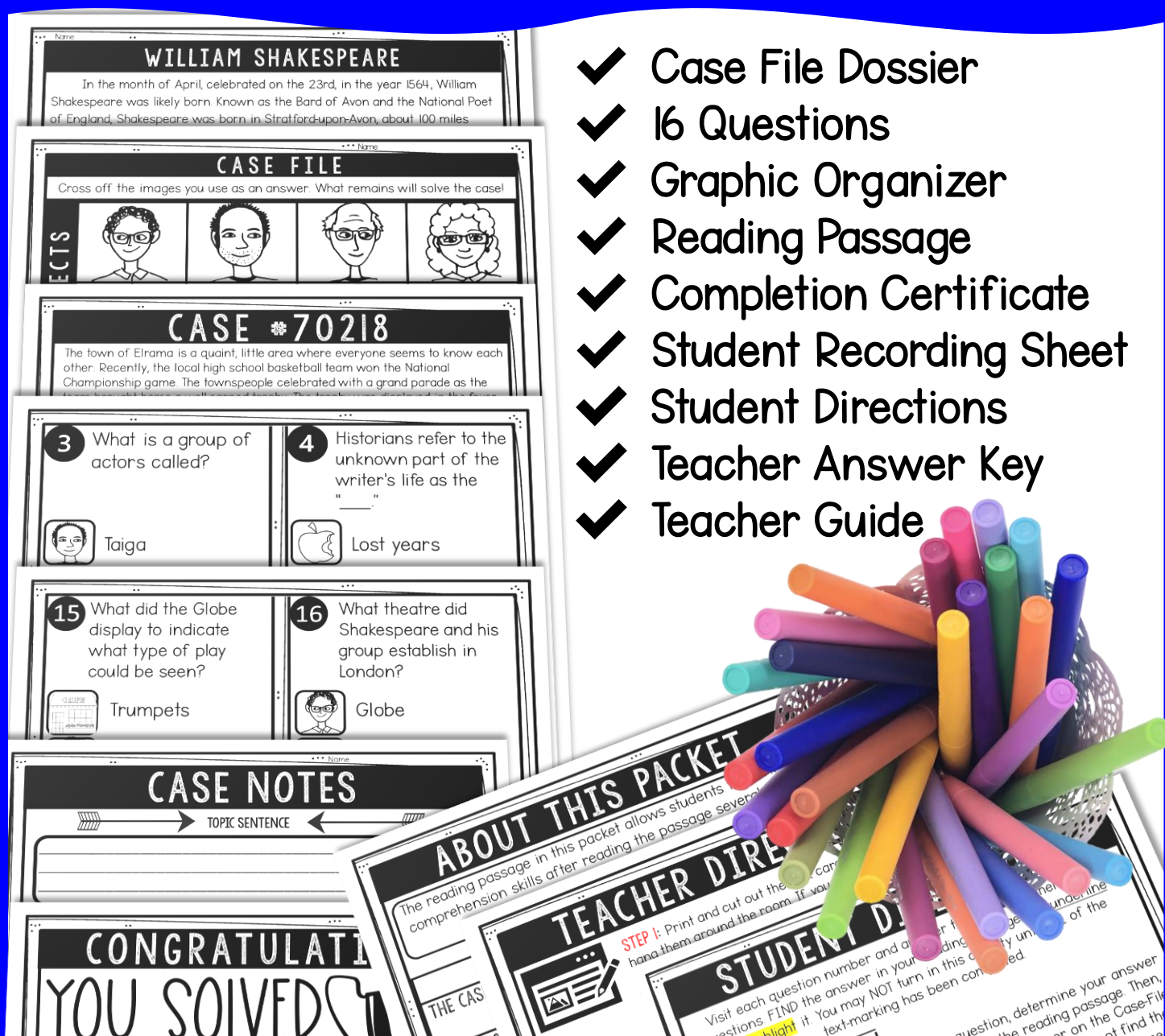


WHAT'S INCLUDED?



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FACTS

CASE #70218
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3 What is a group of actors called?
Taiga

4 Historians refer to the unknown part of the writer's life as the "____".
Lost years

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Trumpets

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CASE NOTES
TOPIC SENTENCE

CONGRATULATIONS YOU SOLVED IT!

ABOUT THIS PACKET
The reading passage in this packet allows students to practice reading comprehension skills after reading the passage several times.

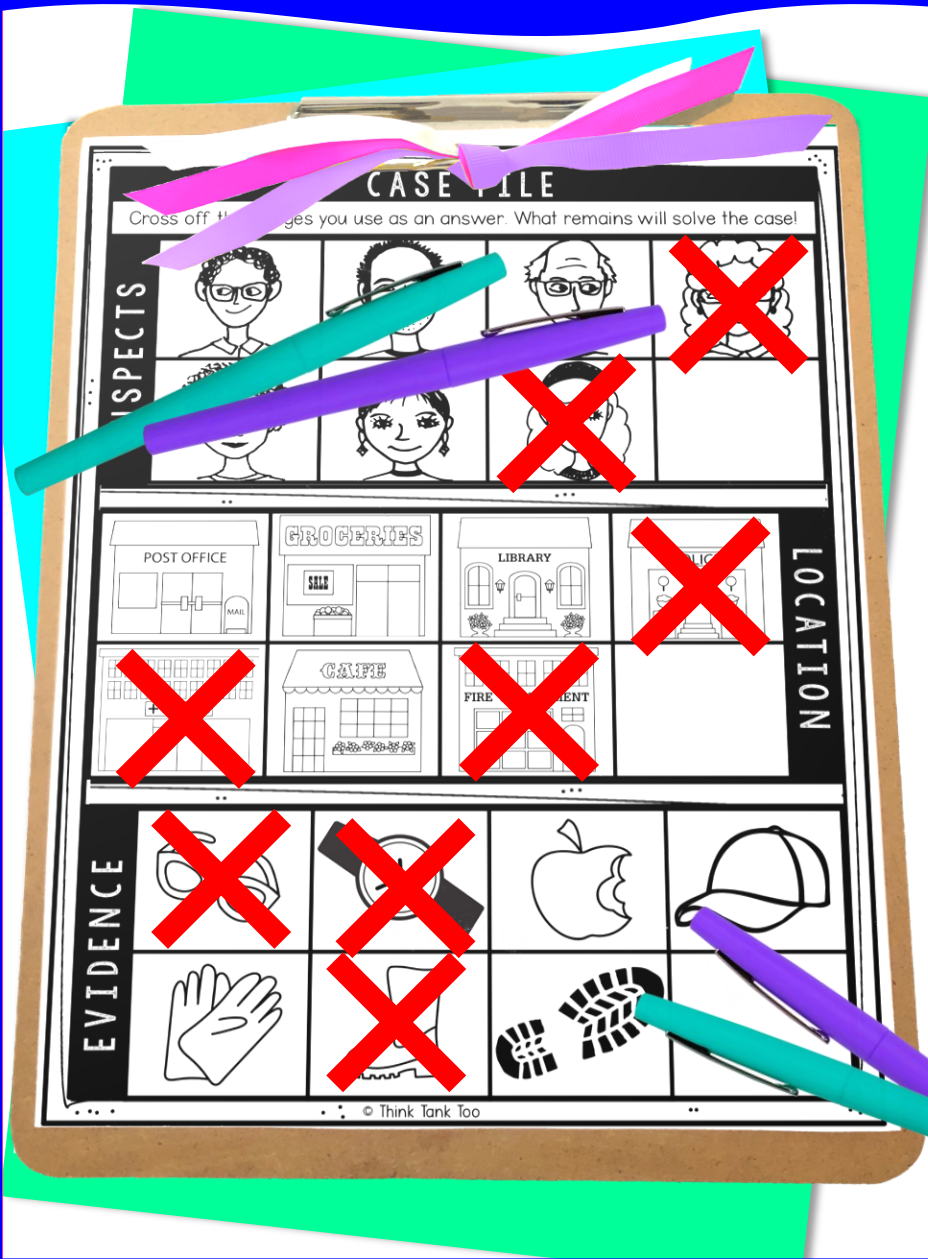
TEACHER DIRECTIONS
STEP 1: Print and cut out the packet. If you have a lot of students, you can hand them around the room. If you have a small class, you can hand them out to the students.

STUDENT DIRECTIONS
Visit each question number and answer the question. **FIND** the answer in your reading passage. **Underline** the answer. You may NOT turn in this case file until you have underlined the answer. If you have text-marking has been completed.

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CASE DOSSIER

As students answer each question, they will eliminate suspects, locations, and evidence.



18 QUESTIONS

CONGRATULATIONS YOU SOLVED THE CASE!
DETECTIVE NAME: _____

8 What king took over patronage of Shakespeare's troupe?
Andrew I
Edward I
George I
James I

10 What was Shakespeare's longest play?

15 What did the Globe display to indicate what type of play could be seen?
Trumpets
Shields
Flags
Tokens

16 What theatre did Shakespeare and group establish in London?
Globe
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17 When did Shakespeare's writing career begin?
1570's
1590's
10's

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11 There are no records of his life until the age of ____.
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13 Shakespeare's most famous poem was Venus and ____.
Adonis

14 Who played as?

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SUSPECTS

GROCERIES
LIBRARY
POLICE

TEXT MARKING

After answering each question, students will find evidence in the text to support their answer.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

In the month of April, celebrated on the 23rd, in the year 1564, William Shakespeare was likely born. Known as the Bard of Avon and the National Poet of England, Shakespeare was born in Stratford-upon-Avon, about 100 miles northwest of London, England. He wrote poems, stories, and plays during his 52-year lifetime. To many, playwrights are considered the most intended for theatrical performance than any other profession.

Shakespeare was the third child of eight into a low-middle class Stratford family during the Tudor period. His father John had many different occupations including farming, wood trading, and leather tanning. William's mother Mary was of a higher social class as the daughter of a landowner.

Not much is known about William Shakespeare's formal education, but historians believe he probably completed grammar school and went on to apprentice with his father at his work at the time. There are no records of his life until the age of 18.

Shakespeare married at the age of 18. His wife was Anne Hathaway, a woman eight years older than Shakespeare. Seven months after their marriage in 1582, a daughter, Susannah was born. Two years later, a set of twins were born, Hamnet and Judith.

When his children were young, there are no more records of what William Shakespeare may have been up to from the birth of his twins until 1592. Some historians believe that Shakespeare was working as a teacher, others say he was traveling the world acquiring knowledge, still others say that he was studying law. We may never know for sure. Historians refer to this part of Shakespeare's life as his "lost years."

By the age of 28, William Shakespeare had begun his career in London. Shakespeare was able to get some of his plays performed by 1594 at the age of 29, he was involved in a troupe (group of actors) putting on plays under the name of the Lord Chamberlain's Men. The troupe was renamed the King's Men when King James I took over patronage of the group himself. It was with this group of men that he

