

WAR OF 1812

CUBE CODE

Who was the following was not a military leader?

A. Canada
B. Louisiana
C. Alabama
D. Michigan

Who wrote the famous lines that later became "The Star-Spangled Banner"?

A. William Henry Harrison
B. Francis Scott Key
C. Henry Dearborn
D. James Madison

Where was Fort M'Henry?

A. Alabama
B. Louisiana
C. Michigan
D. Michigan

During what month was war declared against Great Britain?

A. April
B. May
C. June
D. July

The number president James Madison served as MINUS 4.

The FIRST number of the lock is the year the Treaty of Ghent was signed MINUS 1809.

The THIRD number of the lock is the number of days after the peace treaty was signed that the Battle of New Orleans occurred MINUS 14.

4	fort	7	Baltimore
5	New Orleans	8	lawyer
6	25	9	doctor

After British troops took Washington D.C., U.S. troops fled to the north. Great Britain stayed out of New York, New Orleans. During the Battle of _____ in Maryland for the British fleet.

STATION 2:

First, number ALL the paragraphs on your reading passage. Then, read each statement below and determine which paragraph NUMBER the statement can be found in. Lastly, eliminate ANY answer where the answer was found in an EVEN numbered paragraph, leaving only ODD numbers as your final code (in the order of questions). Paragraph numbers MAY be used more than one time or not at all.

STATION 3:

Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color or shade the coin that corresponds to the statement. If the statement is false, cross out that coin. When you are finished add the TOTAL of ALL TRUE coin values. Code has been provided for you. If the total is 625, a 6 in the first box, the 2 in the second box and so on.

A During the Battle of Baltimore in 1814, British ships bombed Fort M'Henry in Maryland for 25 hours.

B The Treaty of Ghent was signed on Christmas Eve in 1814.

C Impressment was another purpose of the war.

D Francis Scott Key wrote the lyrics to the national anthem.

E The war was fought in the Atlantic Ocean.

F The British Navy captured another American ship.

ELIMINATE

A Andrew Jackson negotiated the treaty on behalf of the United States.

B U.S. president at this time.

C The Battle of New Orleans, the first major battle of the war, took place on January 8, 1813.

D Great Britain was led by King George IV and Prime Minister Robert Jenkinson.

E The War of 1812 was a struggle between the United States and Mexico.

F 75

G 50

H 25

I 100

WAR OF 1812

The War of 1812 was a struggle between the United States and Great Britain. It was also known as "the second war of Independence" in many aspects. Great Britain and France were locked into war with one another and both sides tried to prevent the United States from trading with the other for supplies, food and weapons needed in the war.

Most of the British forces were Canadian militia (volunteers) because British soldiers were already fighting Napoleon in Europe. The British Navy restricted (limited or did not allow) U.S. trade, but they also used a practice called impressment on the United States. Impressment meant that a ship could capture another and press its crew into serving their purposes. For the British Navy taking U.S. ships that meant the...

A The Constitution is organized into seven different parts called Articles.

B The Constitutional Convention was held in Boston, Massachusetts.

C The 3 branches include the Legislative, Executive and Parliament Branch.

D The first ten amendments came in 1791 and are called the Bill of Rights.

E Before the Constitution, a strong federal government held the states together.

F The opening part of the Constitution is called the Preamble.

G George Washington was known as the "Father of the Constitution."

H The U.S. Constitution is the oldest government document still in use today.

A 75
B 25
C 50
D 100

4 DIGIT CODE:



STATION 1:

Use your reading passage or deductive reasoning skills to determine the missing words in the paragraph below. Each missing word has a corresponding NUMBER. The 4-digit code will be the NUMBER of each missing word in the same order in which they appear in the paragraph.

STATION 2:

First, number ALL the paragraphs on your reading passage. Then, read each statement below and determine which paragraph NUMBER the statement can be found in. Lastly, eliminate ANY answer where the answer was found in an ODD numbered paragraph, leaving only EVEN numbers as your final code (in the order of questions). Paragraph numbers MAY be used more than one time or not at all.

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Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color or shade the coin that corresponds with that question. If the statement is false, cross out that coin value. When you are finished add the TOTAL of ALL TRUE coin values. One digit of the code has been provided for you. If the total is 625, a 6 would go in the first box, the 2 in the second box and so on.

STATION 4:

Use your reading passage to determine the combination to the 4-digit lock. You're going to have to use your critical thinking skills and do a tiny bit of math. Pay attention because the "clues" below are NOT in order.

STATION 5:

Answer each multiple choice question below. Then, count the number of times you used each letter answer (ABCD) to reveal your 4 digit code. Answer options may be used more than once or not at all. If a letter option is not used, simply put a zero in the box.

STATION 6:

Reread the passage and write the main idea in your own words. Then, add TWO supporting details that back up your main idea or topic sentence.

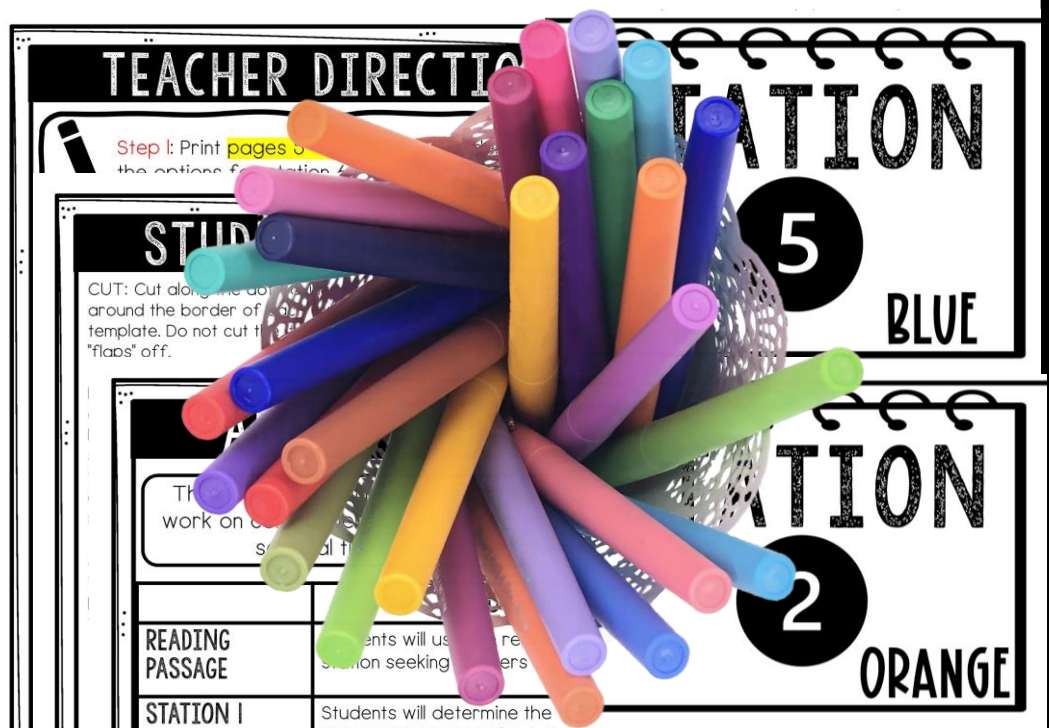
STATION

1

RED

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- READING PASSAGE
- 6 STATIONS
- TEACHER GUIDE
- STATION CARDS
- ANSWER KEY
- STUDENT DIRECTIONS
- TEXT MARKING OPTION
- ALTERNATE STATION
- ASSEMBLY TIPS



6 STATIONS

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Use your reading passage or deductive reasoning to determine the missing words in the paragraph below. The missing word has a corresponding NUMBER. The 4-digit code will be the NUMBER of each missing word in the same order in which they appear in the paragraph.

STATION
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RED

STATION 6:

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STATION
6

SUPPORTING DETAIL #1



SUPPORTING DETAIL #2

STATION 4:

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STATION
4

GREEN

The LAST number of the lock is the number of hours British ships bombed

the Battle of New Orleans occurred MINUS 14.

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Answer each multiple choice question below. Then, count the number of times you used each letter answer (ABCD) to reveal your 4 digit code. Answer options may be used more than once or not at all. If a letter option is not used, put a zero in the box.

STATION
5

BLUE

Which of the following was not a British military leader?

- A. Isaac Brock
- B. Henry Clinton
- C. Charles Cornwallis
- D. George Washington

Where was the Battle of Horseshoe Bend?

- A. Canada

Where was the Battle of the Clouds?

- A. Belgium
- B. France
- C. Great Britain
- D. United States

During the Battle of the Clouds, the British were victorious.

- A. April
- B. May
- C. June
- D. July

- A. Alabama
- B. Louisiana
- C. Maryland
- D. Michigan

A B C D

STATION 3:

Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. Write the number of true statements in the box. Then, add the number of false statements to the number of true statements to reveal your 4 digit code.

STATION
3

YELLOW

A. 75

B. 25

C. 50

D. 100

C. The Battle of New Orleans, the last major battle of the war, took place on January 8, 1813.

D. Great Britain was led by King George IV and Prime Minister Robert Jenkinson.

E. The War of 1812 was a struggle between the United States and Mexico.

F. During the Battle of York, American forces burned the city of Toronto.

G. In addition to the public debt, there were some troubles on the home front.

H. In the south, Andrew Jackson defeated the Creek at Horseshoe Bend in Alabama.

4 DIGIT CODE



STATION 2:

First, number ALL the paragraphs on your reading passage. Then, read each statement below and determine which paragraph NUMBER the statement can be found in. Lastly, eliminate ANY answer where the answer was an even number. Only ODD numbers are allowed. Add the remaining numbers to determine the final code.

STATION
2

ORANGE

A. During the war, British ships could capture another ship and press its crew into serving their purposes.

B. Francis Scott Key, a young lawyer, watched the battle from a nearby ship.

C. The War of 1812 was also known as "the second year of Independence."

D. Things began to turn around for the U.S. when Americans claimed victory at the Battle of Lake Erie.

E. ...

F. ...

G. ...

H. ...

I. ...

J. ...

ELIMINATE ALL EVEN NUMBERS TO DETERMINE THE FINAL CODE.

4 DIGIT CODE



SAMPLE CUBE



STATIONS

STATION 1	Students will determine the missing words in the paragraph to reveal a 4 digit code.
STATION 2	Students will number the paragraphs and browse the passage to determine where the answers can be found (paragraph number). After eliminating EVEN numbers, a 4 digit code will be revealed.
STATION 3	Students will read each statement and determine if it is true or false. They will then ADD all TRUE values to find the 4 digit code.
STATION 4	Students will do some basic math here, read the passage to find the answers and then determine the 4 digit code.
STATION 5	Students will answer 6 multiple choice questions which lead them to a 4 digit code based on the number of times they used each "answer".
STATION 6	Option 1: Main idea writing activity Option 2: Color and add topic
TEXT MARKING	OPTIONAL: A color code chart is included in case you want students to mark the text citing evidence of where they found their answers.

**STUDENTS WILL
USE THE SAME
READING
PASSAGE AT
EACH STATION
SEEKING
ANSWERS AND
TEXT EVIDENCE.**

HOW IT WORKS



ENGAGING READING COMPREHENSION PRACTICE!

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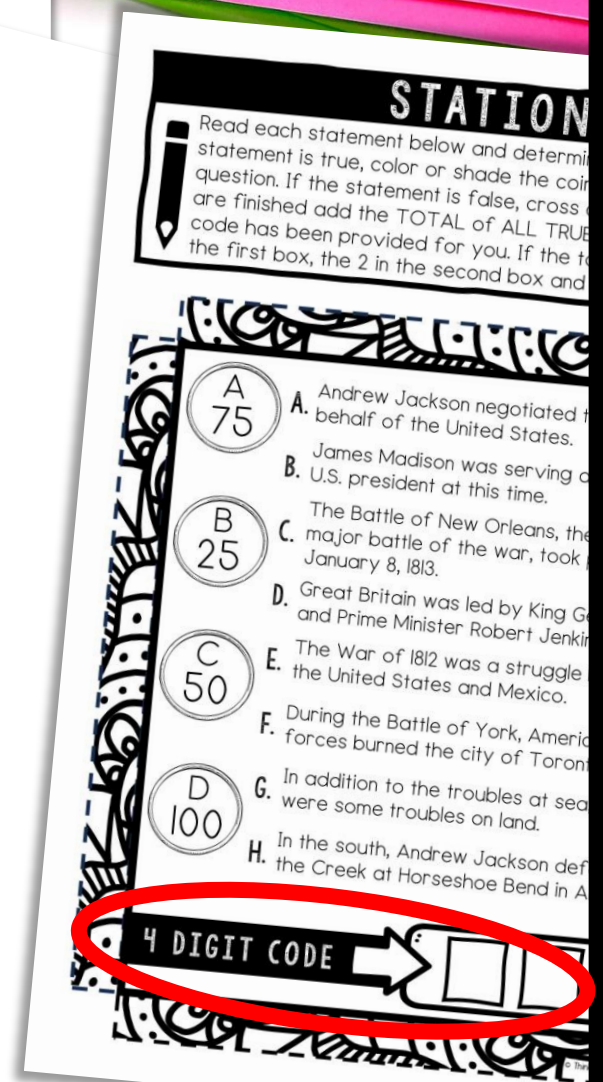
Students work individually (or in pairs) and visit 6 stations, grabbing one side of their cube at each station.

2

Students will answer the questions (found directly in the passage) on their cube sheet before assembly. Students will revisit their reading passage at EACH station!

3

Students will reveal 4-digit codes to move on to the next station. When they finish all stations, they can color and assemble their cube.



STATION

Read each statement below and determine if the statement is true, color or shade the corresponding question. If the statement is false, cross it out. When you are finished add the TOTAL of ALL TRUE statements. A code has been provided for you. If the total is 75, write the 7 in the first box, the 5 in the second box and so on.

A. Andrew Jackson negotiated the Treaty of 1830 on behalf of the United States.

B. James Madison was serving as the 4th U.S. president at this time.

C. The Battle of New Orleans, the last major battle of the war, took place on January 8, 1813.

D. Great Britain was led by King George III and Prime Minister Robert Jenkinson during the war.

E. The War of 1812 was a struggle between the United States and Mexico.

F. During the Battle of York, American forces burned the city of Toronto.

G. In addition to the troubles at sea, there were some troubles on land.

H. In the south, Andrew Jackson defeated the Creek at Horseshoe Bend in 1814.

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COMBINATION



Each Cube Code is a winning combination of:


- stations and movement
- close reading
- comprehension skills
- coloring and stress relief
- secret codes
- cut and paste
- citing evidence
- critical thinking

Everything a teacher dreams of wrapped up into one FUN and engaging activity!

BENEFITS



THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX!

-  ANTICIPATORY SETS
-  UNIT REVIEW
-  EARLY FINISHERS
-  STATIONS
-  SUB PLANS
-  PARTNER WORK
-  ENRICHMENT

-  HANDS-ON
-  CROSS-CURRICULAR
-  HIGHLY ENGAGING

