

LABOR DAY

READING ESCAPE

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READING #2

The first Labor Day Parade was held at Union Square in New York in 1882. The Knights of Labor organized the parade. About 10,000 workers of New York participated in the event. The workers were on unpaid leave. The parade began at City Hall and ended at Wendel's Elm Park. Once at the park, the parade participants would have picnics, listen to speeches and enjoy a concert. Today, speeches made by educators, industrialists and union officials are often heard on the television or radio.

In the late 1800's, most Americans were working 12-16 hours a day, seven days a week. They had to work that much just to make a living and pay the bills.

In 1886, the Haymarket Riot protests held by angry workers turned violent. In 1894, employees from Pullman Palace Car Company went on strike to protest salary cuts. This resulted in a nationwide railways boycott.

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6 PASSAGES

#1

September is the month when Labor Day is celebrated in the United States which honors the achievements that workers and employees have made that have allowed the country to prosper.

Labor Day is celebrated by families, friends, travel, picnics and government offices. Schools will be closed. For many, the holiday signifies the end of the back-to-school jitters.

The idea of Labor Day was first proposed by either Matthew Maguire or Peter McGuire. Peter McGuire was a machinist and the American Federation of Labor's first president. Peter McGuire served as the first American Labor Day celebration in 1882.

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READING #2

The first Labor Day Parade was held in Union Square in New York in 1882. The American Federation of Labor organized the parade. About 10,000 workers of New York participated in the parade. The workers were on parade from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The parade began at City Hall and ended at Wendell's Elm Park. Once at the park, parade participants would have speeches and enjoy a concert.

Today, speeches made by industrialists and union officials are heard on the television or radio. In the late 1800's, many workers were working 12-16 hours a day. They had to work that long hours for little living and pay the bills.

In 1886, the Haymarket Square riot in Chicago was caused by angry workers turning a march from Pullman's

READING #3

The Industrial Revolution began in Great Britain and soon spread to the United States. During this time, manufacturing of goods moved from small shops to large factories. Factories and mines provided jobs for people of all ages, including children as young as six years old. Many poor families needed the support and factories allowed children to work long hours because children worked hard for very little to no money. Not only were Americans working overtime, but the environment was also suffering. They were not protected. Labor unions were formed and rallies were held. Employee protection laws were organized and further trade, form and further



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READING #6

While Labor Day has its roots in the United States, similar celebrations for workers exist worldwide. International Workers' Day, also known as May Day, is widely celebrated in other countries. France, Germany, Italy, and Mexico also celebrate this day.

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READING #5

Labor Day first began as a day only recognized by labor activists. On February 21, 1881, Oregon became the first state to pass a law declaring Labor Day an official holiday. Following Oregon's lead, Colorado designated Labor Day as a public holiday that same year. In 1887, New York declared Labor Day a state holiday, and Massachusetts also recognized it as a public holiday in 1888.

Originally, the very first Labor Day took place on a Tuesday. However, the day was switched to a Monday to ensure that federal employees could have three-day weekends. Federal holidays are observed on Mondays such as MLK Day and Memorial Day. These holidays will remain on Mondays thanks to the Uniformed Services of America Act of 1968.

Since the 3-day weekend, Labor Day weekend is one of the busiest for travel. The holiday now provides a well-deserved day off to honor workers.



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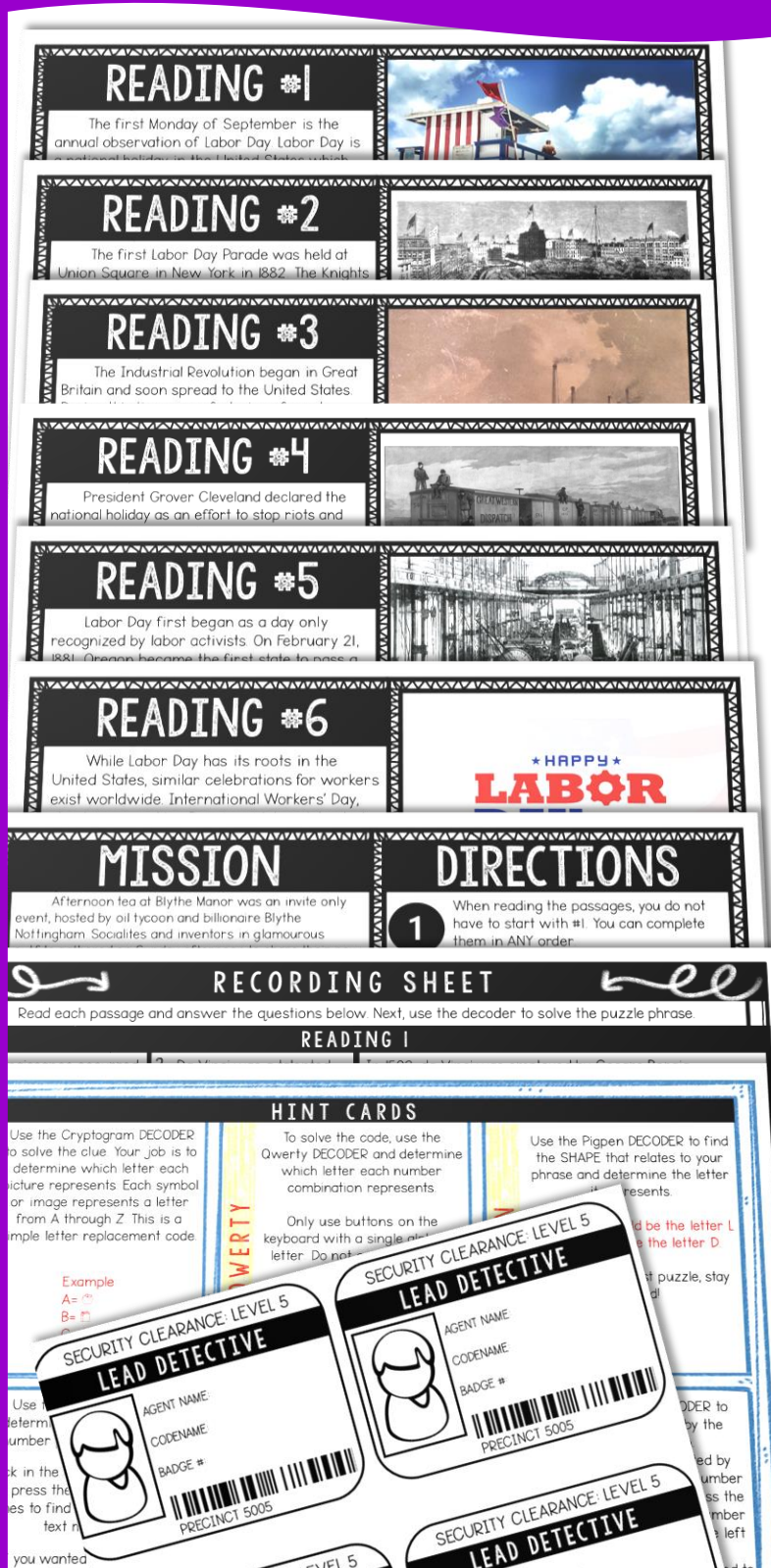
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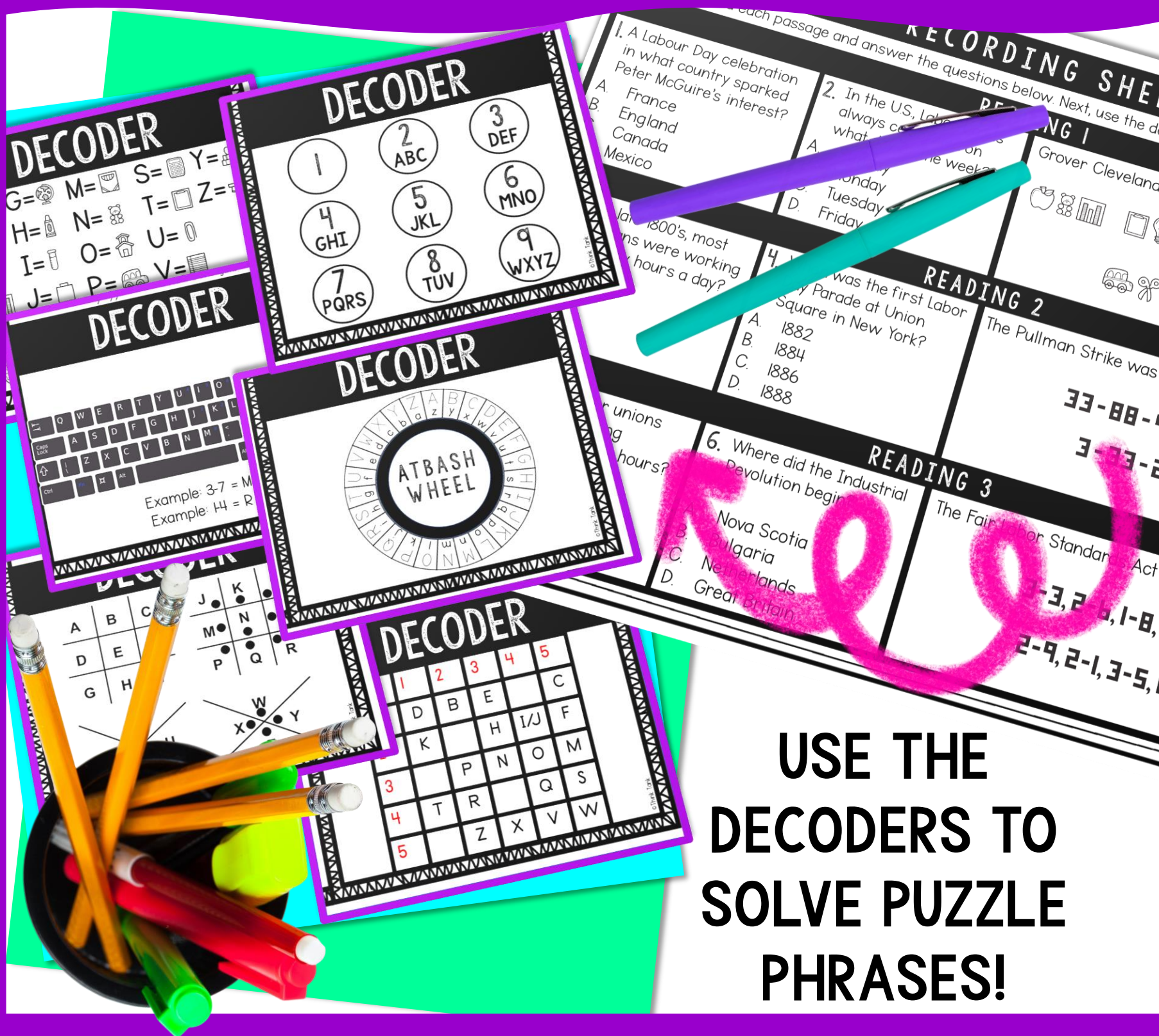
WHAT'S INCLUDED?



- ✓ 6 Half page passages
- ✓ 6 Puzzle decoders
- ✓ 12 Multiple choice Q's
- ✓ Teacher guide
- ✓ Answer key
- ✓ Student directions
- ✓ Hint cards



PUZZLE TYPES



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HOW IT WORKS

ENGAGING READING COMPREHENSION PRACTICE!

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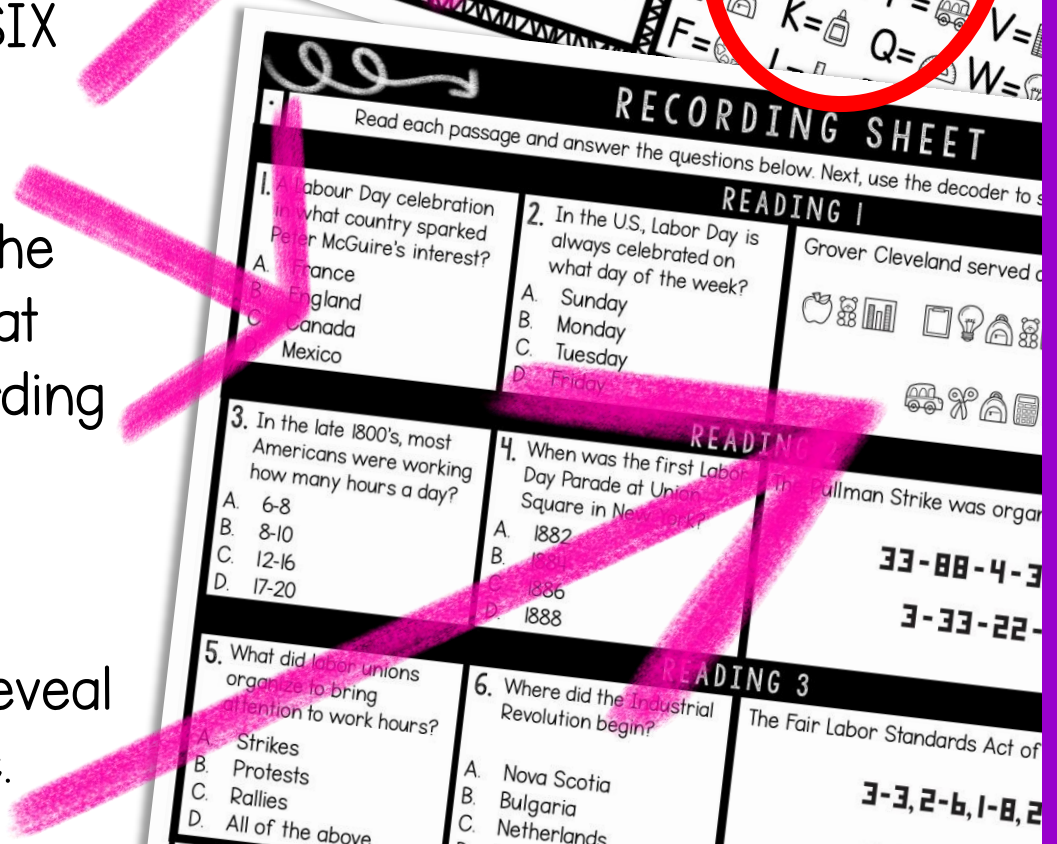
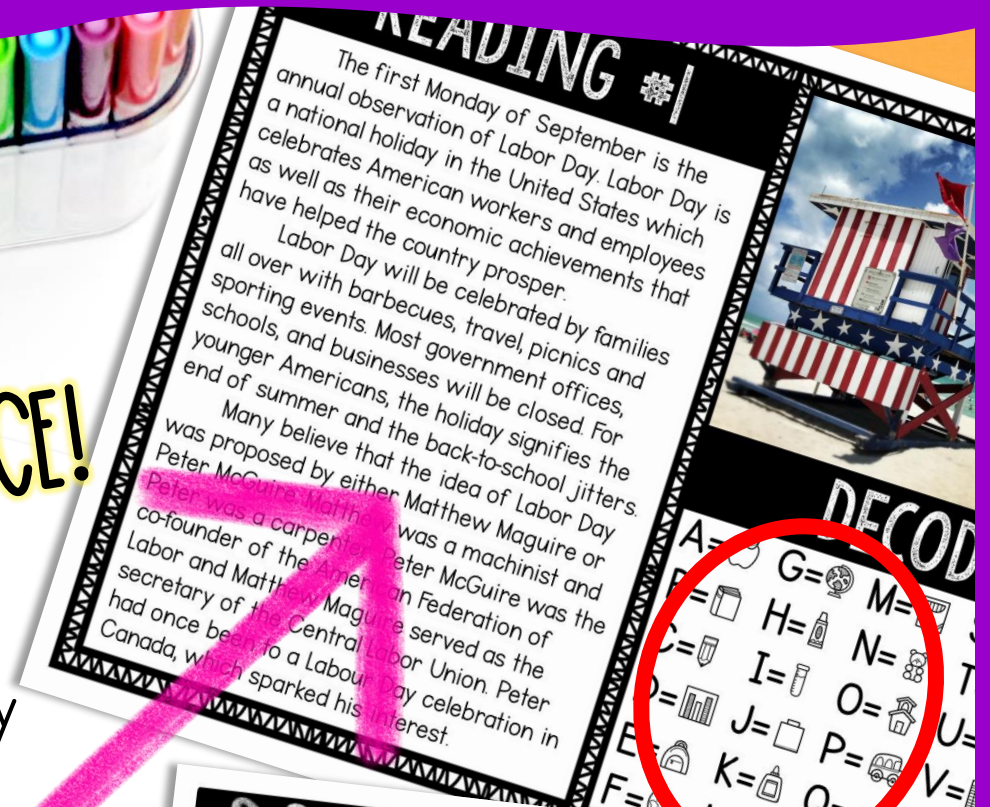
Students work individually (or in pairs) and visit SIX reading stations.

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Students will answer the questions related to that passage on their recording sheet.

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Students will use that specific "decoder" to reveal a "clue" about the topic.







BENEFITS & USE



THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX!

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

-  NO PREP
-  PRINT AND GO
-  CROSS-CURRICULAR
-  HIGHLY ENGAGING