

CONTINENT OF AFRICA

ESCAPE ROOM

Station 1: Multiple Choice

6. What desert can be found in Africa?
A. Three
B. Five
C. Seven
D. Nine

7. What is the tallest mountain on the African continent?
A. Mount Kilimanjaro
B. Atacama
C. Everest
D. Coldest

Station 2: Paragraphs

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. Paragraph numbers MAY be used more than one time or not at all. Use the directions below to reveal the 4-digit code and letter.

A. Victoria Falls in Zambia is the largest water fall in the world.
B. The largest group of animals unique to Madagascar are lemurs.
C. One of the most visited landmarks are the Great Pyramids in Egypt, as well as the famous Sphinx.
D. Africa is the second largest continent on Earth with the second largest population, as well.

Station 3: True or False

Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color the coin on YOUR answer sheet 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 to reveal your letter clue. 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.

A. Though Egypt's pyramids are more famous, the country of Sudan has more pyramids than Egypt.
B. In Africa, there are more than 3,000 different indigenous groups.
C. The largest country in Africa is Sudan.
D. The Nile River's source is in the south.

Code Puzzle

Sahara Desert covers MINUS 30.
The FIRST number of the lock is the number of different countries Africa is made up of MINUS 50.
The THIRD number of the lock is the percent of the world's population that lives in Africa MINUS 13.

Once you determine the 4-digit code, decide if the code uses all EVEN #s, all ODD #s or a combination of both.

Code Options: ALL EVEN (J), ALL ODD (K), COMBO (P)

Final Code: 3102 1401
J N

Station 4: Reading Passage

AFRICA

Africa is the second largest continent on Earth with the second largest population, as well. It contains 11.7 million square miles of land. It is home to more than 14 billion people and is the world's most diverse continent. Many characteristics make Africa unique, including the world's largest square miles of land. However, the continent of any country in Africa has more than 22 million inhabitants. The smallest country in Africa is Swaziland with a little over 100,000 people. The Indian Ocean just off the east coast of Africa is within 4,000 miles of the equator.

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STATIONS ACTIVITY

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- ✓ READING PASSAGE
- ✓ 5 STATIONS
- ✓ TEACHER GUIDE
- ✓ ANSWER KEY
- ✓ STUDENT DIRECTIONS
- ✓ TEXT MARKING OPTION
- ✓ PROP SIGNS

STATION 1: FILL IN THE BLANK

Use your reading passage to determine the missing words in the paragraph below. Each missing word has a corresponding NUMBER. The 4-digit code for this station will be the NUMBER for each missing word, in the same order in which they appear in the paragraph. Then, record the clue LETTER on your answer sheet.

STATION 2: PARAGRAPHS

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. Paragraph numbers MAY be used more than one time or not at all. Follow the directions below to reveal the 4-digit code and letter clue.

STATION 3: TRUE OR FALSE

Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color the coin on YOUR answer sheet 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 to reveal your letter clue. 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: COMBINATION

Use your reading passage to determine the combination to the 4-digit lock for this station. 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. There is room on your answer sheet to do the math.

STATION 5: MULTIPLE CHOICE

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

ANSWER RECORDING SHEET

Record your answers for each station on this sheet. Then, use the directions below to determine final 4-digit ALPHA code. Ex: HBDR

STATION CODES

LETTER CLUE

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TEACHER DIRECTION

- 1 Print the reading passage found on [pages 5-6](#) for EACH (front and back).
- 2 Print the answer recording sheet on [page 12](#) for each student group of students.

RECAP: Print pages 5, 6, and 12 for students.

STATION

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BLUE

THE MISSION

You have been assigned a top-secret mission of utmost importance. A notorious thief has stolen precious gems from a prominent lady, and intelligence reports suggest that they are hidden in a heavily guarded secret vault. In the bustling city of Oakville, Lady Victoria was renowned for her extraordinary

ABOUT THIS ACTIVITY

The reading passage in this packet allows students to practice their comprehension skills after reading the passage. Students will be searching for evidence. Each station includes a question that will reveal a letter clue.

| | OVERVIEW |
|-----------------|--|
| READING PASSAGE | Students will use the reading passage at each station seeking answers and text evidence. |
| STATION 1 | Students will determine the missing word in the paragraph to reveal a 4-digit code. |
| STATION 2 | Students will number the paragraphs in the reading passage to determine where the missing words can be found (paragraph number). After eliminating the incorrect numbers, a 4-digit code will be revealed. |
| STATION 3 | Students will read each statement and determine if it is true or false. |



5 STATIONS

STATION 5: MULTIPLE CHOICE

Answer each multiple-choice question below. Then, count how many times you used each letter answer (ABCD) to reveal the code. Letters may be used more than once or not at all. An option is not used, put an X in that box on your answer sheet.

1. What is the most populous country in Africa? _____ is the official language of _____ in Africa?

A. Egypt
B. Nigeria
C. Zambia
D. Libya

A. Swahili
B. Arabic
C. English
D. Dutch

2. How many countries flow through the Nile River?

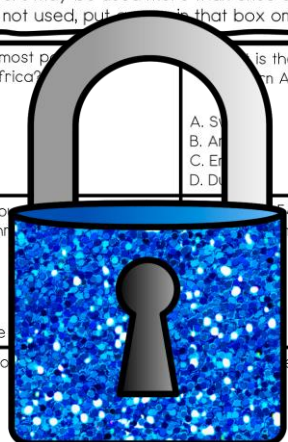
A. Eight
B. Eleven
C. Nineteen
D. Twenty-three

3. Where can you find Victoria Falls?

A. Zambia
B. Tanzania
C. Madagascar
D. Morocco

A. Botswana
B. Namibia
C. Sahara
D. All of the above

Count how many times you used each letter answer to determine the 4-digit code and record it on your answer sheet.



ANSWER RECORDING SHEET

Record your answers for each station on this sheet. Then, use the directions below to determine final 4-digit ALPHA code. Ex: HBDR

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| STATION 2 | A B C D E F → [] [] [] [] [] CODE | |
| STATION 3 | A 75 B 25 C 50 D 100 E 100 F 75 G 50 H 25 → [] [] [] [] [] CODE | |
| STATION 4 | Do your math in this area: → [] [] [] [] [] CODE | |
| STATION 5 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 → A# [] B# [] C# [] D# [] CODE | |

STATION 4: COMBINATION

Use your reading passage to determine the combination to the 4-digit lock for this station. 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. There is room on your answer sheet to do the math.

1. LAST number of the lock is the number of states in Seychelles. US 170.

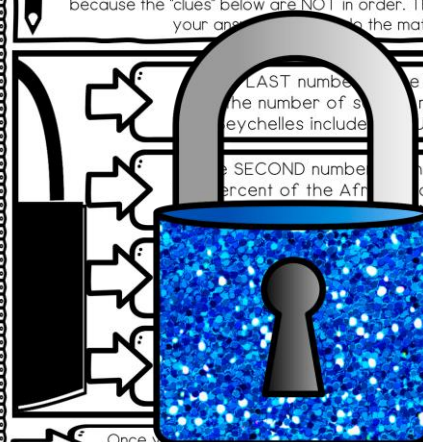
2. SECOND number of the lock is percent of the African continent the population is 13.

3. Third number of the lock is the number of countries in the US 50.

4. Fourth number of the lock is the population of the US 13.

Once you determine the 4-digit code, decide if the code uses all EVEN #s, all ODD #s or a combination of both.

ALL EVEN ALL ODD COMBO



STATION 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Use your reading passage to determine the missing word in each paragraph below. Each missing word has a corresponding NUMBER. The 4-digit code for this station will be the NUMBER of each missing word in the order in which they appear in the paragraph. The code will be recorded on your answer sheet.

1. Sudan is the largest country in Africa. It is located in the north of the continent. The Nile River flows through it. The Sahara Desert is in the north. The Kalahari Desert is in the south. The Nile River is the longest river in the world. It flows north to the Mediterranean Sea. The Nile River is the longest river in the world. It flows north to the Mediterranean Sea. The Nile River is the longest river in the world. It flows north to the Mediterranean Sea.

2. Tanzania is a country in East Africa. It is located in the east of the continent. The Kilimanjaro mountain is in the north. The Kilimanjaro mountain is the highest mountain in Africa. It stands 19,340 feet high. The Kilimanjaro mountain is the highest mountain in Africa. It stands 19,340 feet high. The Kilimanjaro mountain is the highest mountain in Africa. It stands 19,340 feet high.

3. Algeria is a country in North Africa. It is located in the north of the continent. The Atlas Mountains are in the north. The Atlas Mountains are the highest mountains in North Africa. They are located in the north. The Atlas Mountains are the highest mountains in North Africa. They are located in the north. The Atlas Mountains are the highest mountains in North Africa. They are located in the north.

4. Sahara is the largest desert in the world. It is located in the north of Africa. It covers about 9 million square kilometers. It is the largest desert in the world. It is located in the north of Africa. It covers about 9 million square kilometers. It is the largest desert in the world. It is located in the north of Africa. It covers about 9 million square kilometers.

5. Atacama is the driest desert in the world. It is located in South America. It is the driest desert in the world. It is located in South America. It is the driest desert in the world. It is located in South America. It is the driest desert in the world. It is located in South America.

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7. coldest is the word for the lowest temperature. It is a word used to describe the weather. It is the word for the lowest temperature. It is a word used to describe the weather. It is the word for the lowest temperature. It is a word used to describe the weather.

8. Kilimanjaro is the highest mountain in Africa. It is located in Tanzania. It is the highest mountain in Africa. It is located in Tanzania. It is the highest mountain in Africa. It is located in Tanzania. It is the highest mountain in Africa. It is located in Tanzania.

9. Everest is the highest mountain in the world. It is located in Asia. It is the highest mountain in the world. It is located in Asia. It is the highest mountain in the world. It is located in Asia. It is the highest mountain in the world. It is located in Asia.

Once you determine the 4-digit code, decide if the code uses all EVEN #s, all ODD #s or a combination of both.

ALL EVEN ALL ODD COMBO

B H M



STATION 3: TRUE OR FALSE

Read each statement below and determine if it is true or false. If the statement is true, color the coin on YOUR answer sheet that matches that question. If the statement is false, cross out that coin. Once you are finished coloring the coins, use the TRUE coin values to determine the final 4-digit ALPHA code. One digit is provided for you. For example, if you have 625, a 6 would be the first box, and a 2 would be the second box.

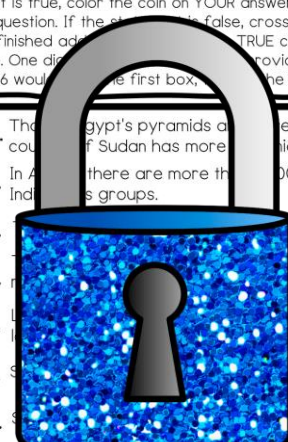
A 75
B 25
C 50
D 100

A. The Great Pyramids of Giza are the largest pyramids in the world.
B. In Africa, there are more than 100 different languages.
C. The Nile River is the longest river in the world.
D. The Sahara Desert is the largest desert in the world.
E. The Nile River flows north to the Mediterranean Sea.
F. The Nile River is the longest river in the world.
G. The Nile River is the longest river in the world.
H. Africa is the second largest continent on Earth.

After shading the coins on your answer sheet, use the TRUE statements to get the final total.

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STATION 2: PARAGRAPHS

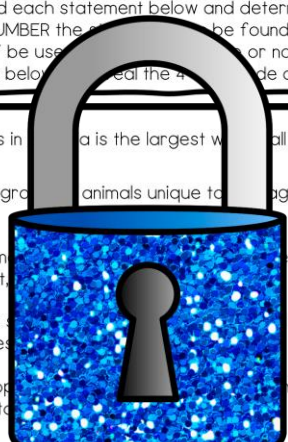
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A. Victoria Falls in Africa is the largest waterfall in the world.
B. The largest group of animals unique to Madagascar are the lemurs.
C. One of the most famous pyramids in the world is the Great Pyramids of Giza in Egypt.
D. Africa is the second largest continent in the world.
E. The most populated country in Africa has more than 22 million inhabitants.
F. The mountain has three volcanic cones and stands 19,340 feet.

1. ELIMINATE the highest and lowest used paragraph numbers and record the remaining 4-digit code on your answer sheet. 2. Decide which paragraph number was NOT used as a CODE answer.

NO 2 NO 6 NO 7

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STATIONS

ABOUT THIS ACTIVITY

The reading passage in this packet allows students to work on comprehension skills after reading the passage several times searching for evidence. Each station includes a 4-digit code that will reveal a letter clue.


OVERVIEW

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| READING PASSAGE | Students will use the reading passage at EACH station seeking answers and text evidence. |
| 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 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 "ABCD" answer. |
| 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. (This will increase completion time) |

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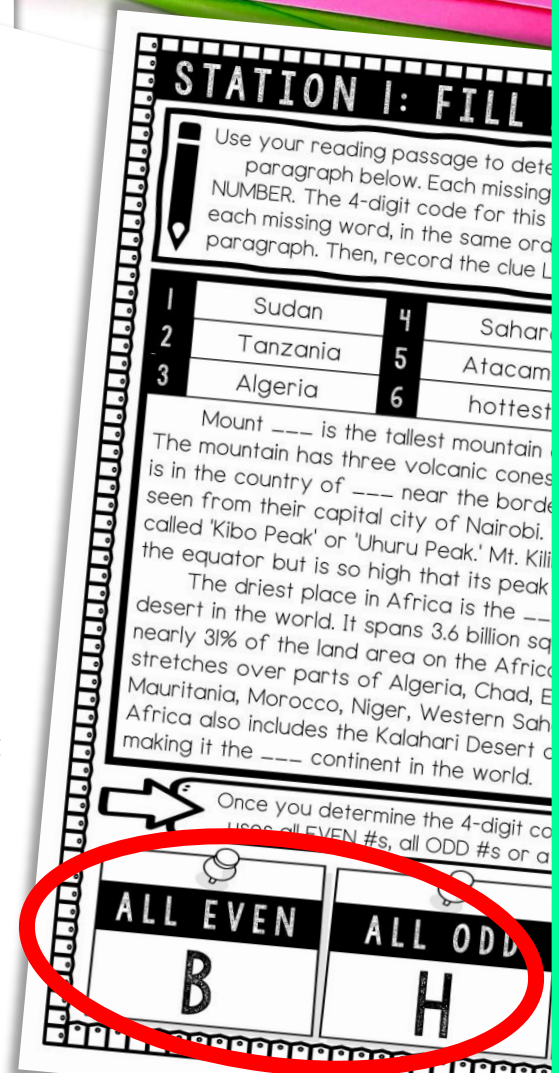
**STUDENTS WILL
USE THE SAME
READING
PASSAGE AT
EACH STATION
SEEKING
ANSWERS AND
TEXT EVIDENCE.**

HOW IT WORKS



ENGAGING READING
COMPREHENSION PRACTICE!

- 1 Students work individually (or in pairs) and visit 5 stations, answer questions, decipher a 4-digit code at each station and grab a "letter" clue for the final alpha code.
- 2 Students will answer the questions (found directly in the passage) on their own recording sheet. Students will have to revisit their reading passage several times at EACH station skimming for answers.



STATION 1: FILL

Use your reading passage to determine the missing word in each paragraph below. Each missing word is represented by a 4-digit code. Record the 4-digit code for this word in the table below. Then, record the clue letter for each missing word, in the same order as the missing word, in the same order as the missing word.

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| 1 | Sudan | 4 | Sahara |
| 2 | Tanzania | 5 | Atacama |
| 3 | Algeria | 6 | hottest |

Mount ____ is the tallest mountain in the world. The mountain has three volcanic cones and is in the country of ____ near the border between their capital city of Nairobi. The mountain is called 'Kibo Peak' or 'Uhuru Peak.' Mt. Kilimanjaro is so high that its peak is above the equator but is so high that its peak is in the southern hemisphere.

The driest place in Africa is the ____ desert in the world. It spans 3.6 billion square kilometers. It stretches over parts of Algeria, Chad, Egypt, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Western Sahara, Mali and Libya. Africa also includes the Kalahari Desert making it the ____ continent in the world.

Once you determine the 4-digit code for each missing word, use all EVEN #s, all ODD #s or a combination of even and odd numbers to determine the letter clue.

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| ALL EVEN | ALL ODD |
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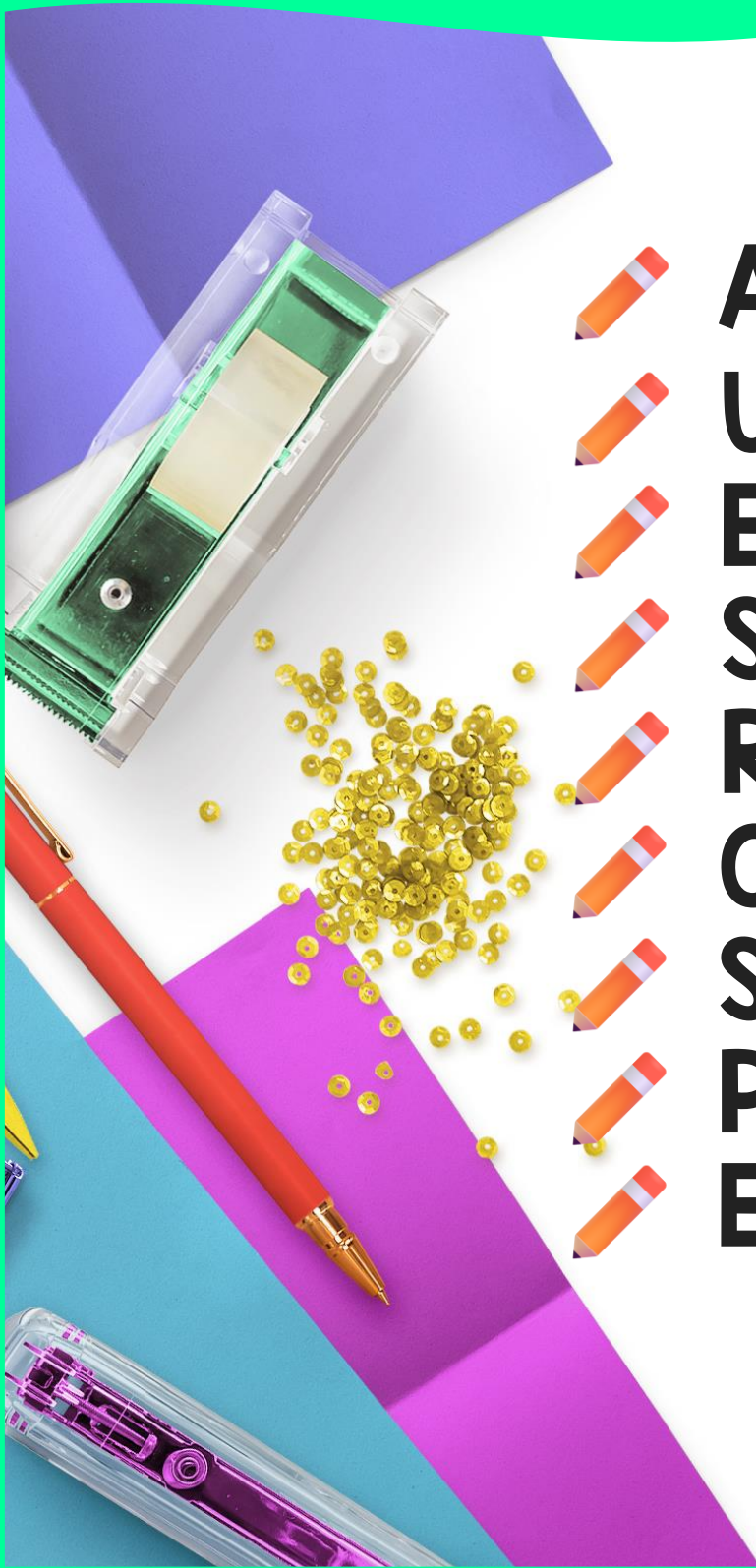









BENEFITS

- ✓ STATIONS AND MOVEMENT
- ✓ CLOSE READING
- ✓ COMPREHENSION SKILLS
- ✓ SECRET CODES
- ✓ CITING EVIDENCE
- ✓ CRITICAL THINKING
- ✓ PRINT AND GO
- ✓ ACTIVE LEARNING
- ✓ CROSS-CURRICULAR
- ✓ HIGHLY ENGAGING
- ✓ NO LOCKS NEEDED
- ✓ NO SILLY ENVELOPES TO STUFF
- ✓ NO ODD SHAPES TO CUT OUT



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

USE FOR:

- 
-  **ANTICIPATORY SETS**
 -  **UNIT REVIEW**
 -  **EARLY FINISHERS**
 -  **STATIONS**
 -  **REWARD ACTIVITY**
 -  **CENTERS**
 -  **SUB PLANS**
 -  **PARTNER WORK**
 -  **ENRICHMENT**