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#### **PREPARATION**

Print and copy pages 4-11 for your students. You can do either of the following:

- Combine the pages to form a booklet for each student to work on; OR
- Hand out worksheets as you want students to work on them please note that if you choose this option, students will always need the 'Possible Suspects' page handy.
- If it is a difficult skill or something not yet done with your students, demonstration and a lesson before completing that clue is recommended.
- You could get students to work independently, or in pairs/groups.
   IMPORTANT: The clues must be completed in the order I have arranged them in i.e. 1-5!

#### **HOW TO USE**

Read through the article on page 4 'Math Mystery: Case of the Jungle Joker' to set up the activity and engage students.

Instruct students that they will need to keep referring back to their Possible Suspects list after solving each clue.

Students work through each clue, either guided by the teacher or independently (your choice). After completing a math worksheet, if students completed the questions correctly, a clue will be revealed. For example: 'Traces of fruit are left at all of the crime scenes.' So, in this example, students can conclude that the Jungle Joker must like to eat fruit, so they keep all remaining suspects who like fruit on the possible suspects list and cross out the meat/insect eaters.

Once students have correctly completed all of the clues, only one suspect will remain and that suspect is the Jungle Joker. On page 11, the teacher ticks off the 'Well done . . . ' box and the student can receive an Award (provided on page 18) if they declare the correct suspect. If a student gets the wrong suspect, tick the second box "Oops! Try again," and instruct the student to go over their work to see where they went wrong.

#### **ANSWERS**

I have provided answer sheets for all of the clues, as well as which is the correct suspect to the mystery. You will find these on pages 12-17. This includes the elimination process of suspects post each clue.

#### **AWARDS**

On page 18 you will find awards that you can print and give to students who solve the case correctly. I suggest making it a rule that students complete all of the questions on each worksheet to be eligible for the award (even if they can guess what the clue is without finishing all of the math questions!). You could also make it a condition that students show their working out on the back of the page or on a separate piece of paper if applicable.

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# MATH MYSTERY: CASE OF THE JUNGLE JOKER



Date:
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Deep in the Jumble Jungle lives lots of amazing mammals, reptiles, birds and insects. Its gigantic trees, pristine rivers and unusual land make it a dreamlike paradise. A select few humans are the secret guardians of the Jumble Jungle; their goal is to preserve its beautiful wilderness and to ensure the safety of all its creatures. So it was a surprise when some strange reports were brought to Mathhattan's Detective Headquarters over the past week.

Tori, one of the secret guardians, came forward with the following complaints from some of the jungle's inhabitants:

"Someone keeps putting prickly plants in my bed! Every night I've had to sweep up these plants before going to sleep! It irritates my paws. Grrrrrrr..." Growled Timothy the Tiger.

"Sssssssss...someone keeps moving my baby snake eggs! Every time I return to my nest I have to go looking for them! This must ssssssstop!" Hissed Sonia the Snake.

"Someone keeps bringing mice to my home! They scare me so much! I can barely sleep because they keep coming and nibbling at my feet!" Cried Eddie the Elephant.

"Someone keeps stealing all of my bananas and replacing them with rocks! I'm so hungry and I miss my favorite food!" Complained Molly the Monkey.

"Someone keeps putting sticky goo in my nest! Every time I go to sit in it, my feathers get all icky and stick together!" Squawked Hunter the Hawk.

Reports, similar to those above, keep flooding in from the unhappy creatures of the jungle. The Jumble Jungle guardians have no idea what to do. Tori stated, "These pranks are causing quite a great deal of stress to the wildlife. While this Jungle Joker must think the pranks are funny, the rest of the jungle do not seem to think so. Too many upset and annoyed creatures is starting to cause chaos in the Jumble Jungle, and that is the last thing I need to deal with. Have you ever tried calming an angry tiger? Or an irritated cobra? Believe me, it is not something any of the secret guardians are keen to do."

Tori continues, "I need to find out who the Jungle Joker is! Once I know who the culprit is, I'll try convince them to find other ways to be funny. Pranks may bring laughs to some, but can cause tears for others when taken too far."

This looks like a case for a great math detective!

#### MATH DETECTIVE NEEDED TO SOLVE WHO THE JUNGLE JOKER IS!

Tori has made a list of possible suspects that the Jungle Joker could be, but she needs a great math detective to solve who it is before the Jumble Jungle descends into chaos! Hurry, everyone is counting on you to help put a stop to these poor pranks!

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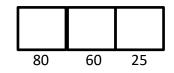
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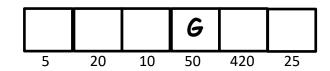
# **POSSIBLE SUSPECTS**

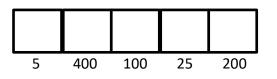
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Ally the Anaconda	Reptile	Large	Meat	Female	0
Milo the Monkey	Mammal	Medium	Fruit	Male	2
Freddy the Frog	Amphibian	Small	Insects	Male	4
Olly the Orangutan	Mammal	Medium	Fruit	Male	2
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Cane the Cobra	Reptile	Medium	Meat	Male	0
Elly the Elephant	Mammal	Large	Fruit	Female	4
Suzie the Spider	Arachnid	Small	Insects	Female	8
Hank the Hippo	Mammal	Large	Plants	Male	4
Ewan the Eagle	Bird	Medium	Meat	Male	2
Lenny the Lion	Mammal	Large	Meat	Male	4
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Crank the Crocodile	Reptile	Large	Meat	Male	4
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Stig the Sloth	Mammal	Medium	Plants	Male	4
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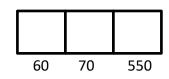
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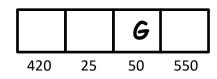
Discover an important piece of information about who the Jungle Joker could be by balancing the addition equations. Use your answers to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal the first clue. Put the letter in every box that it matches your answer in (there may be more than one!) The first one has been done for you.







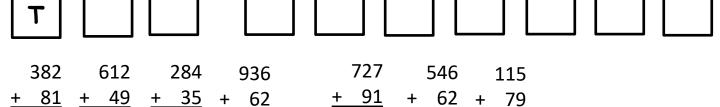


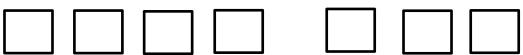




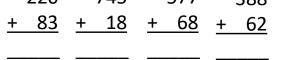
## **ADDITION - CLUE 2**

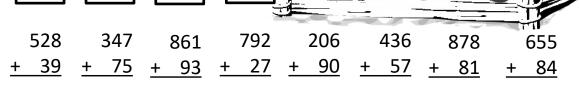
Discover clue 2 by correctly completing the addition algorithms below. Locate your answer at the bottom and see what letter it matches to write in the box. The first one has been done for you.





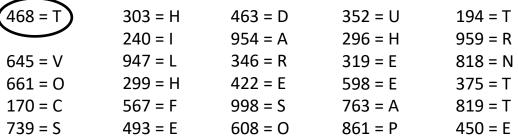








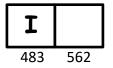
#### The answers are jumbled up below with a letter to help crack the code!



#### **SUBTRACTION - CLUE 3**

Discover another important clue by solving the subtraction problems. Use your answers to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal the clue. Put the letter in every box that it matches your answer in (there may be more than one!) The first one has been done for you.





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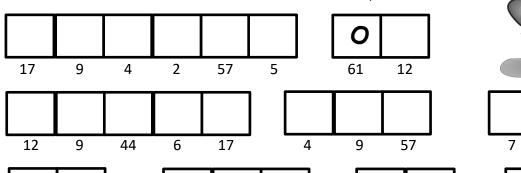
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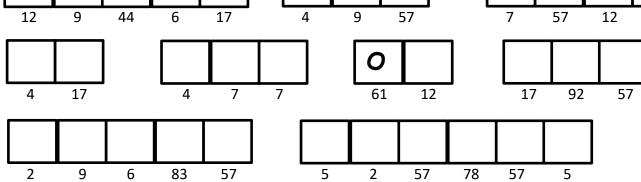




#### **MISSING ADDENDS - CLUE 4**

Discover another important clue by filling in the missing addends for each number sentence. Use your answers to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal the clue. Put the letter in every box that it matches your answer in (there may be more than one!) The first one has been done for you.





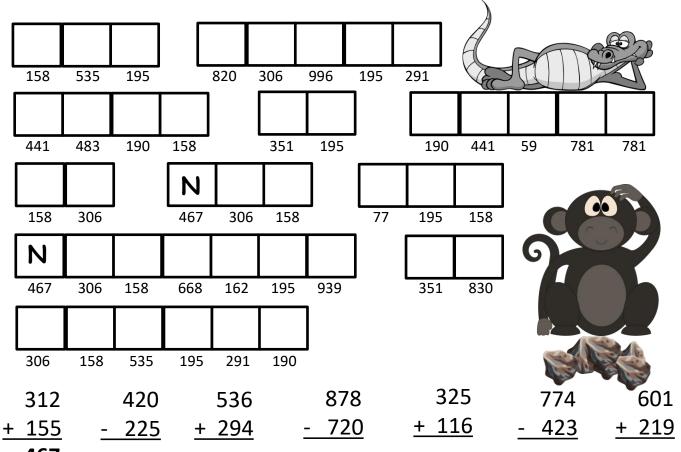
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## FION & SUBTRACTION - CLUE 5

Discover the final clue by completing the addition & subtraction questions. Use your answers to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal the clue. Put the letter in every box that it matches your answer in (there may be more than one!) The first one has been done for you.



467

M

B

924

356

859

276

408

684

618

+ 127

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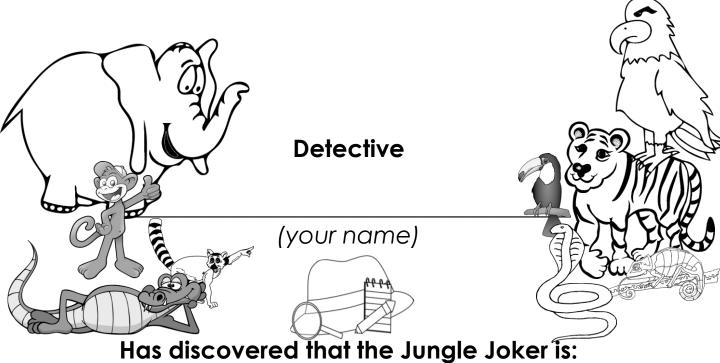
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SOLVE THE MYSTERY: CASE OF THE JUNGLE JOKER



#### **Clues Checklist:**

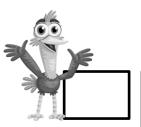
Clue 1

Clue 2

Clue 3

Clue 4

Clue 5

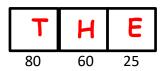


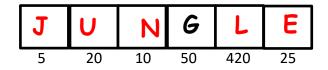
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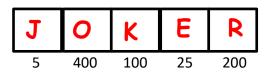
Well done! You have successfully discovered who the Jungle Joker is! Tori convinced the prankster to stop pulling such terrible jokes on others. The rest of the animals in the Jumble Jungle are happy and relieved! The Jungle Joker now only plays tricks as fun entertainment for everyone to watch. Thank you for your amazing math detective work!

Oops! No that is not the Jungle Joker. Go over, check your clues and try again!

Cross off all snake suspects (with 0 legs).





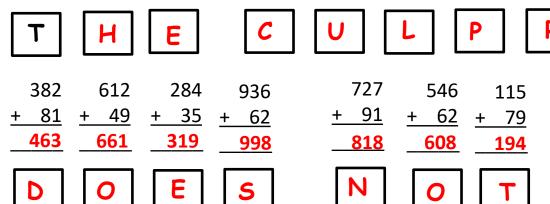


$$150 + 20 = _{70} + 100$$

Cross off all bird

#### **ANSWER SHEET CLUE 2**

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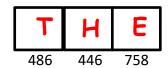


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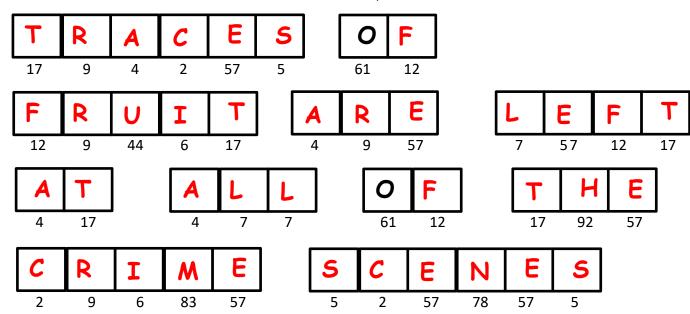
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468 = T	303 = H	463 = D	352 = U	194 = T
	240 = I	954 = A	296 = H	959 = R
645 = V	947 = L	346 = R	319 = E	818 = N
661 = O	299 = H	422 = E	598 = E	375 = T
170 = C	567 = F	998 = S	763 = A	819 = T
739 = S	493 = E	608 = O	861 = P	450 = E

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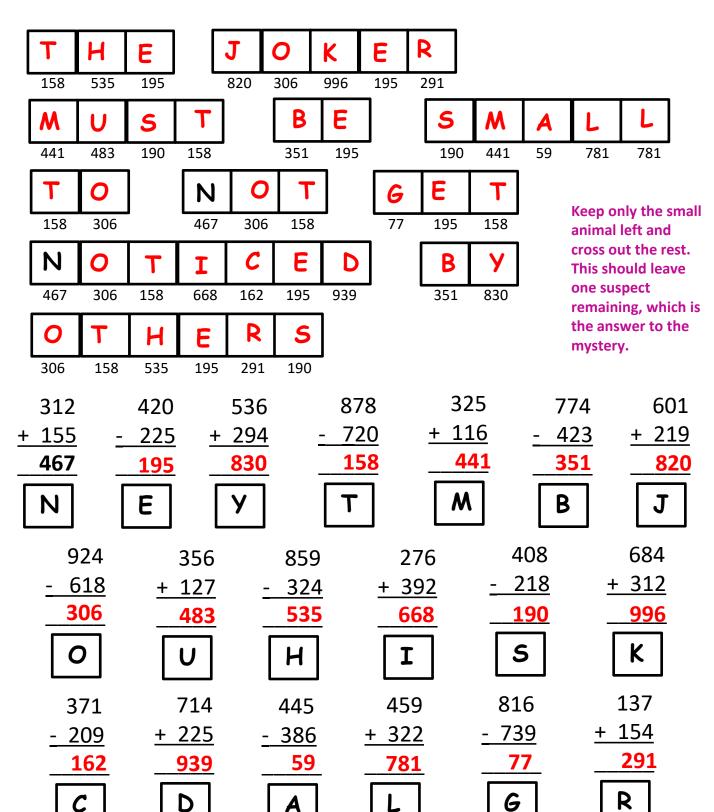


Discover another important clue by filling in the missing addends for each number sentence. Use your answers to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal the clue. Put the letter in every box that it matches your answer in (there may be more than one!) The first one has been done for you.



Keep all animals that like to eat fruit. Cross out the rest.

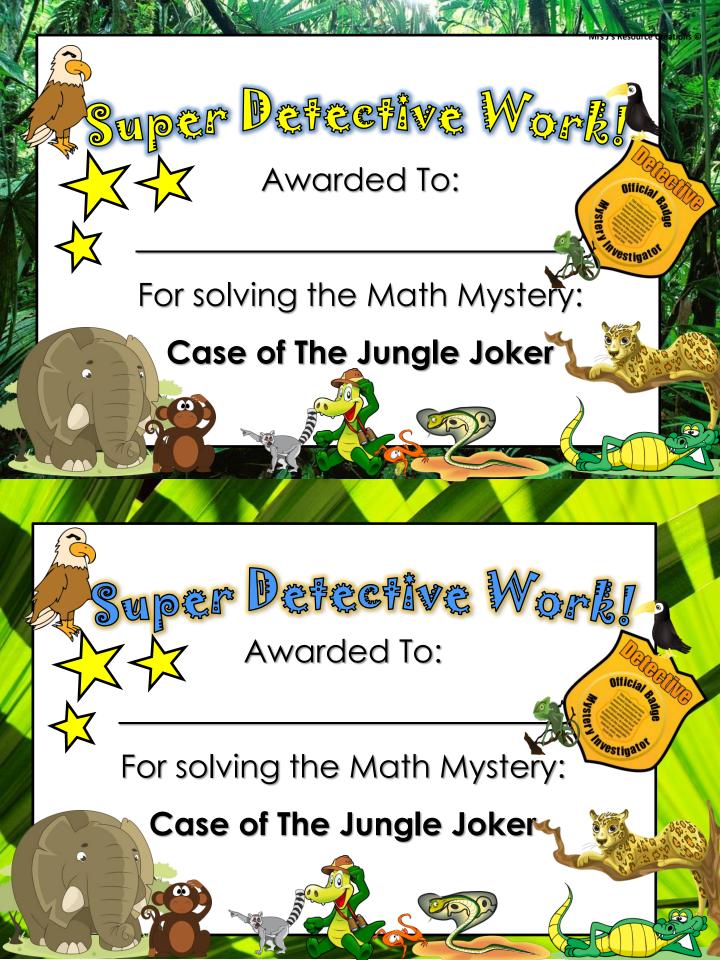
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#### **ELIMINATION GUIDE**

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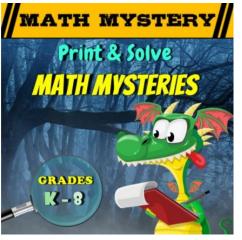
On the answer sheets you will find a comment about who needs to be crossed off. Please refer to the color of the font and the color of the shaded rows to show which suspect has been crossed off from that clue.





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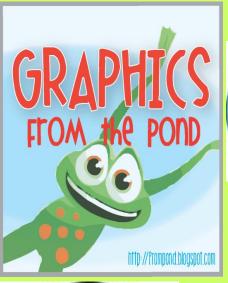












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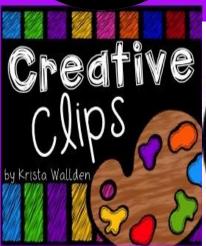
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