ABOUT THIS PACKET

Close Reading Activities in this packet allow students to work on comprehension skills and reading the passage several times searching for evidence.

TASK	OVERVIEW
TASK 1: FILL IN THE BLANK	The Fill in the Blank task has students using context clues to insert the correct answer. Certain words are omitted, and students will use the word bank to find the correct answer. Once they complete this task, they'll use the passage to complete the remaining tasks.
TASK 2: FIND AND FIX	Students will find 10 INCORRECT statements, find the correct answer in the reading passage and then rewrite the CORRECT sentence.
TASK 3: TRUE OR FALSE	Now that students have read the passage several times, they should be able to answer the True or False questions with very little reference back to the reading. This task helps to show overall comprehension of the passage. The end result will be a secret code word.
TASK 4: MAIN IDEA	Students will complete a graphic organizer about the main idea. They will need to write TWO main ideas or summary statements. They will then need to provide 3 pieces of supporting details from the text for each main idea.

GRADE LEVEL	RANGE
4	MIDDLE
4	END
5	BEGINNING
5	MIDDLE
5	END
6	BEGINNING
6	MIDDLE
6	END
7	BEGINNING

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CASE FILE DOSSIER

Cross off the images you use as an answer. What remains will solve the case!

SUSPECT



LOCATION



EVIDENCE



TIME



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TASK I: FILL IN THE BLANK

EARN THIS!

Directions: Use the words below to fill in the reading.

spit	five	throat
chews	together	bread
energy	peristalsis	smaller

The human body has many systems that work _____ to keep it healthy. Each system works with different organs such as the heart or liver to complete a certain function. The digestive system is responsible for taking the food a person eats and breaking it down. Once broken down, the food transforms into _____, vitamins, and minerals for the body's organs and cells.

The process of digestion has two types: mechanical digestion and chemical digestion. Mechanical digestion is when a person chews the food and physically breaks it down into _____ pieces. With chemical digestion, enzymes break down food into molecules for the body to use as nutrients.

There are _____ stages in the digestive system. Placing food in your mouth is called ingestion. First, a person _____ the food to break it down. The tongue begins to break down certain foods that are starchy (potatoes or _____), using enzymes. Enzymes are a protein molecule that have specific jobs such as breaking down certain foods or speeding up chemical reactions in the body. Your mouth creates saliva, also called _____. Saliva has enzymes that break down food to make it soft and easy to swallow.

The second phase of digestion is swallowing. In this phase, the food goes to the pharynx, which is at the back of the _____. The tongue pushes the food to the back of the throat. A tiny flap of cartilage called the epiglottis automatically closes the windpipe. Food then travels to the esophagus, which is about 10 inches long. Muscles contract along the esophagus, pushing the food toward the stomach. This action is called _____. The esophagus is a tube that passes food from the pharynx to the stomach.

The next stop is the stomach, an organ that acts as a sac and holds food. The stomach has three layers of muscles around its walls. Although the stomach is small when it is empty, it can expand and become large enough to hold 1.5 liters of food.

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TASK 2: FIND & FIX



EARN THIS!

Read the INCORRECT statements and FIX the underlined errors on the line below. Rewrite the sentence to make it a CORRECT statement.

1. With mechanical digestion, enzymes break down food into molecules.

2. The appendix is attached to the large intestine and stores stuff.

3. A tiny flap of cartilage called the alveoli automatically closes the windpipe.

4. The stomach has nine layers of muscles around its walls.

5. There are seven stages in the digestive system.

6. The kidney is a tube that passes food from the pharynx to the stomach.

7. The second phase of digestion is ingestion.

8. Once food becomes chyme, a soup-like substance, it travels to the larynx.

9. The gallbladder is the second-largest organ in the human body.

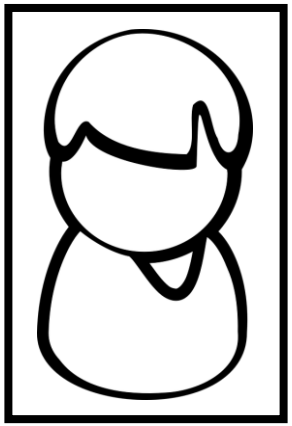
10. The last phase of the digestive system is the duodenum.

PREVIEW

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SECURITY CLEARANCE: LEVEL 5

LEAD DETECTIVE



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CODENAME:

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SAMPLE

ENVELOPE OR TABLE TENT LABELS

Stuff the corresponding clue cards in envelopes or pile them by "symbol" on the table.

CLUE CARD #1



CLUE CARD #2



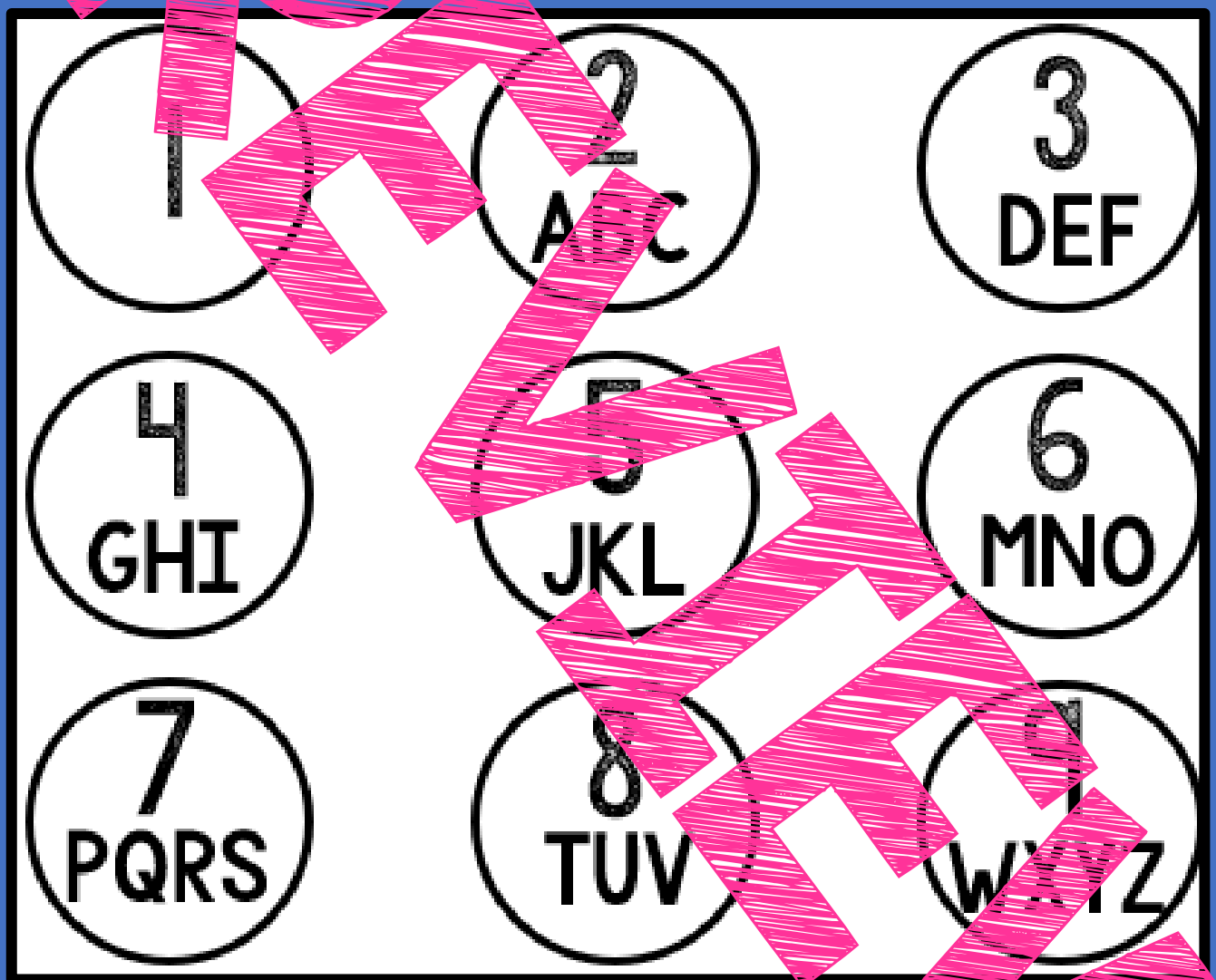
CLUE CARD #3



CLUE CARD #4



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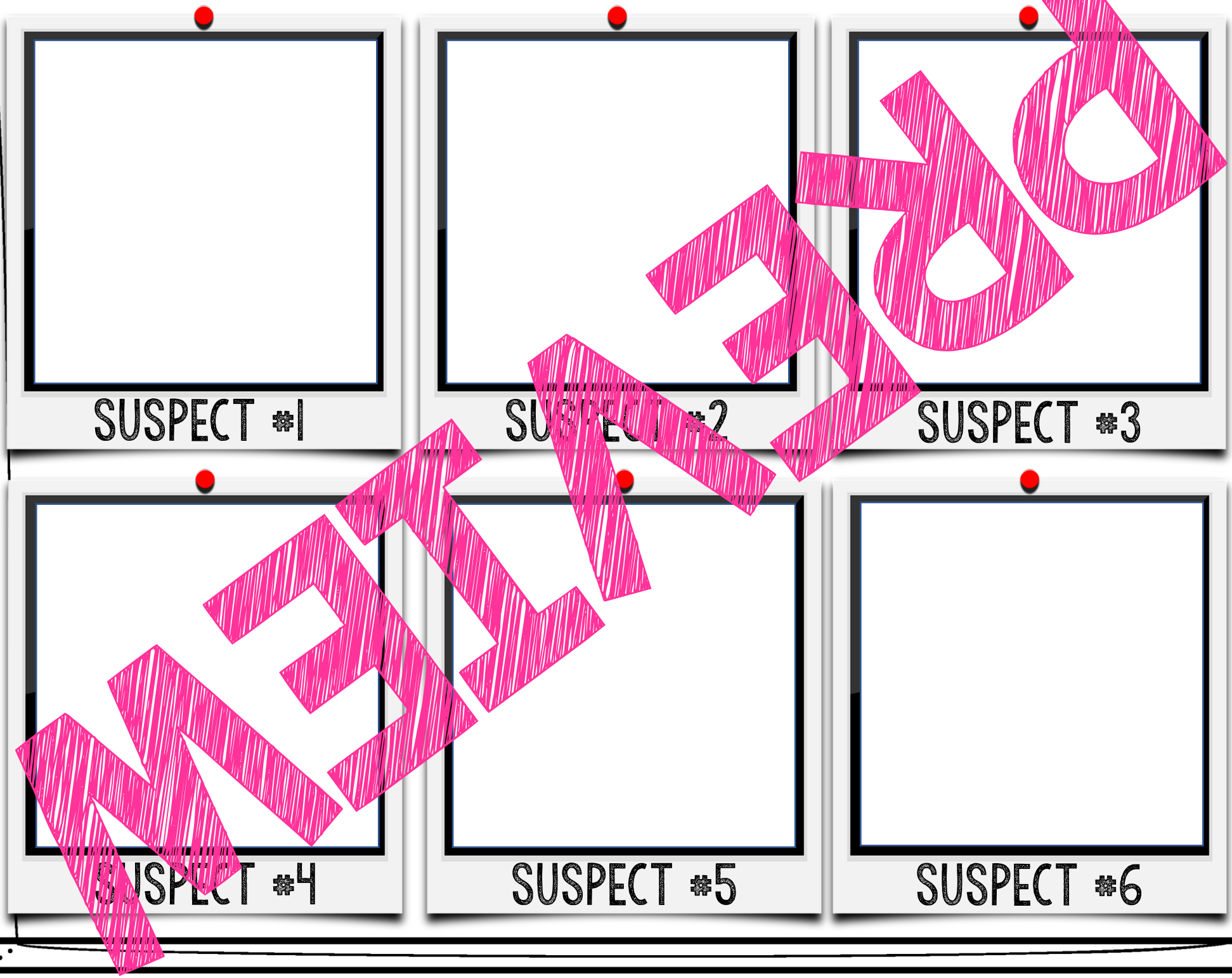


TO ENTER

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Add popsicle sticks and use these as props to booth photos.




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SUSPECT #2
SUSPECT #3
SUSPECT #4
SUSPECT #5
SUSPECT #6
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MUST SHOW BADGE
UPON ENTRY



SPARK SOME *creativity*

ESCAPE ROOMS

SCAVENGER HUNTS

SPY MYSTERY

TEXT DETECTIVE

SECRET MESSAGES

THINKTIVITY

BREAKOUTS

READING CHALLENGE

INTERACTIVE NOTEBOOK

DIGITAL ESCAPES

DIGITAL BOARD GAME

COLOR BY NUMBER

TASK CARDS GAME

GOOGLE SLIDES

GOOGLE FORMS

PUZZLE STATIONS

BOOM CARDS

BLOG