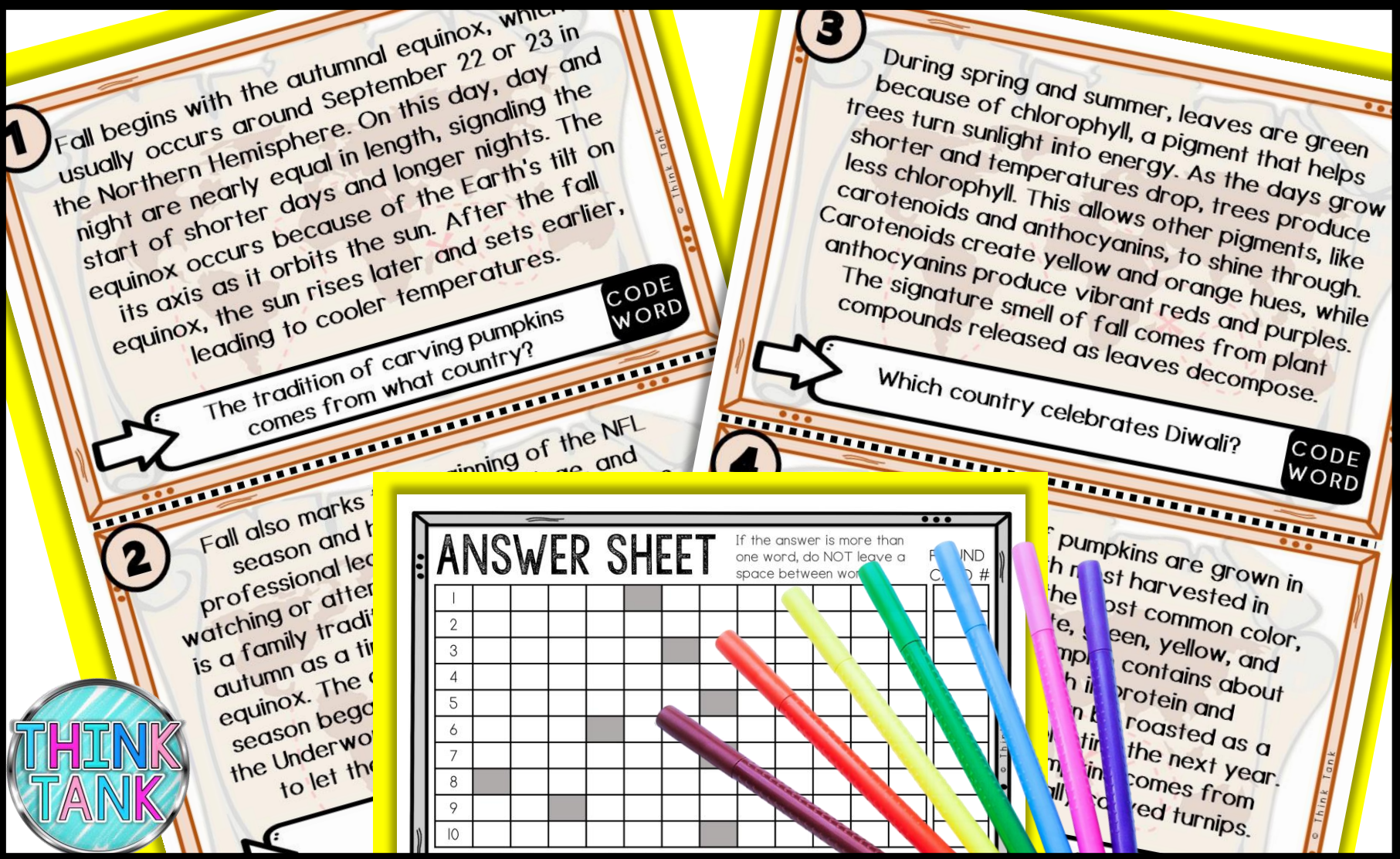
# FALL FUN FACTS SCAVENGER HUNT



# WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- ☑ 10 SHORT PASSAGES
- ☑ 10 QUESTION TRAILS
- ☑ RECORDING SHEET
- ☑ ANSWER KEY
- ☑ STUDENT DIRECTIONS
- ☑ TEACHER DIRECTIONS
- ☑ EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

1

Fall begins with the autumnal equinox, which usually occurs around September 22 or 23 in the Northern Hemisphere. On this day, day and night are nearly equal in length, signaling the start of shorter days and longer nights. The equinox occurs because of the Earth's tilt on

3

During spring and summer, leaves are green because of chlorophyll, a pigment that helps trees turn sunlight into energy. As the days grow shorter and temperatures drop, trees produce less chlorophyll. This allows other pigments, like carotenoids and anthocyanins, to shine through. Carotenoids create yellow and orange hues, while anthocyanins produce vibrant reds and purples. The signature smell of fall comes from plant compounds released as leaves decompose.

Which country celebrates Diwali? CODE WORD

5

Fall is the peak season for apple harvesting. There are more than 7,500 varieties of apples grown worldwide. The legendary Johnny Appleseed (real name

7

Halloween (October 31) has roots in the Celtic festival of Samhain. The name "Samhain" means "end of summer" in Old Irish. The Celts believed that the veil between the living and the dead was thinnest during Samhain, allowing spirits to visit the mortal world.

During spring and summer, leaves are green because of ___. CODE WORD

TEACHER S

THIS SCAVENGER HUNT HAS TW

Part 1: Kids will read 10 short passages wh of their next "clue" or code word. After fi students will need to write them down on t

Part 2: Using the code word on each reac unscramble the letters in the gray boxes t

All you have to do is print the 10 reading hide them! The more difficult the reading more FUN the kids have AND the longer t

You will need to print [PAGE 10] for EVERY

ANSWER SHEET

If the answer is more than one word, do NOT leave a space between words.

FOUND CARD #

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

FINAL RD ANSWER:

9

The Mid-Autumn Fes the Moon Festival, is a holiday celebrated on th month of the lunar calen in September or Octob calendar. The festival m harvest season and fe lanterns, and fami

Ancient Greeks believe when ___ returned to

10

Name

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

Directions: Choose 5 words from the reading cards that are unfamiliar or new to you

WORD

Name

SUMMARIZE

TOPIC SENTENCE

SUPPORTING DETAIL SUPPORTING DETAIL SUPPORTING DETAIL

4 DIGIT CO

Next, using the numbers in the FOUND column in the SAME order in which you recorded them above; follow these clues.

Eliminate the highest and lowest number in the FOUND column.

Get rid of all numbers that are spelled with just letters.

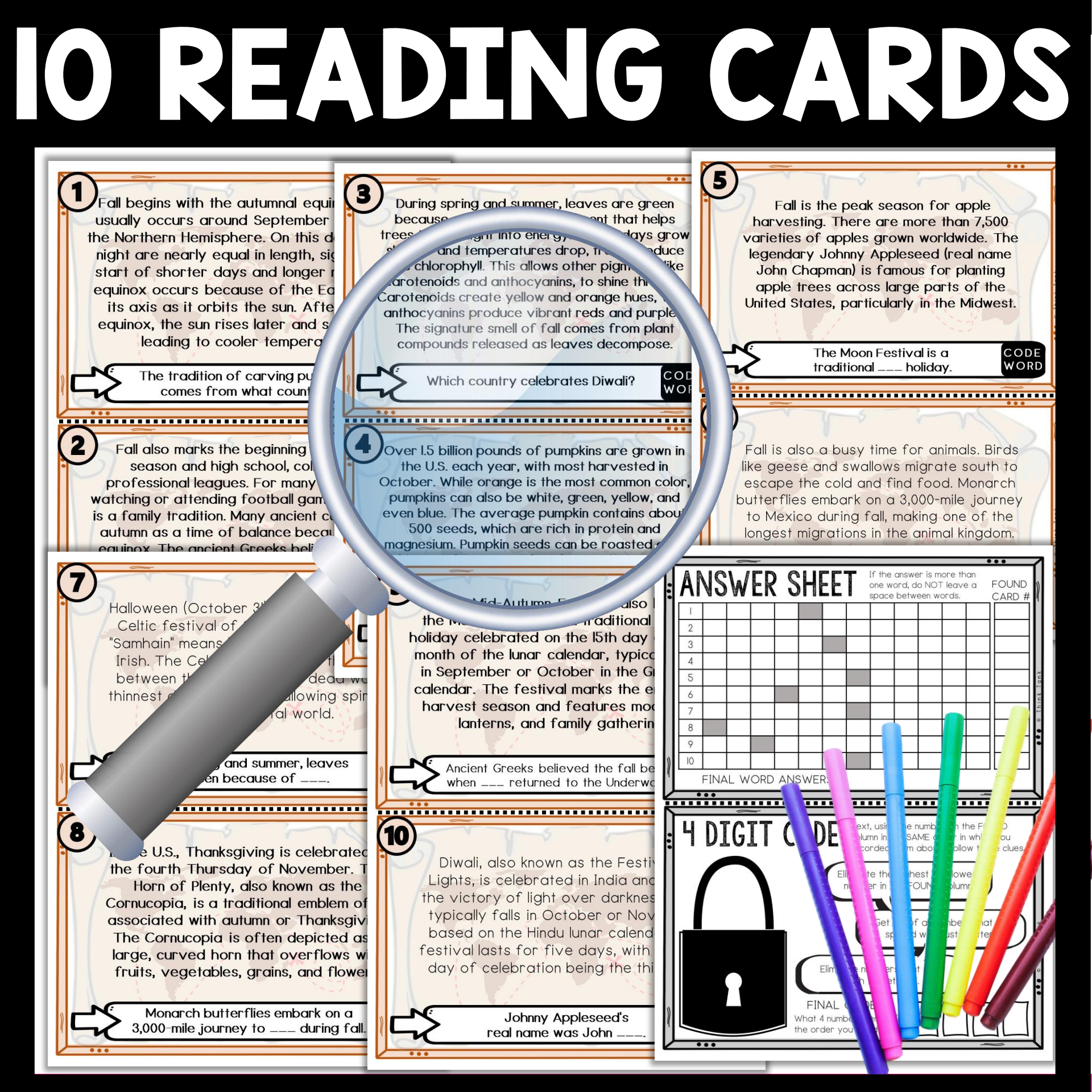
Eliminate numbers that start with the letter

FINAL CODE

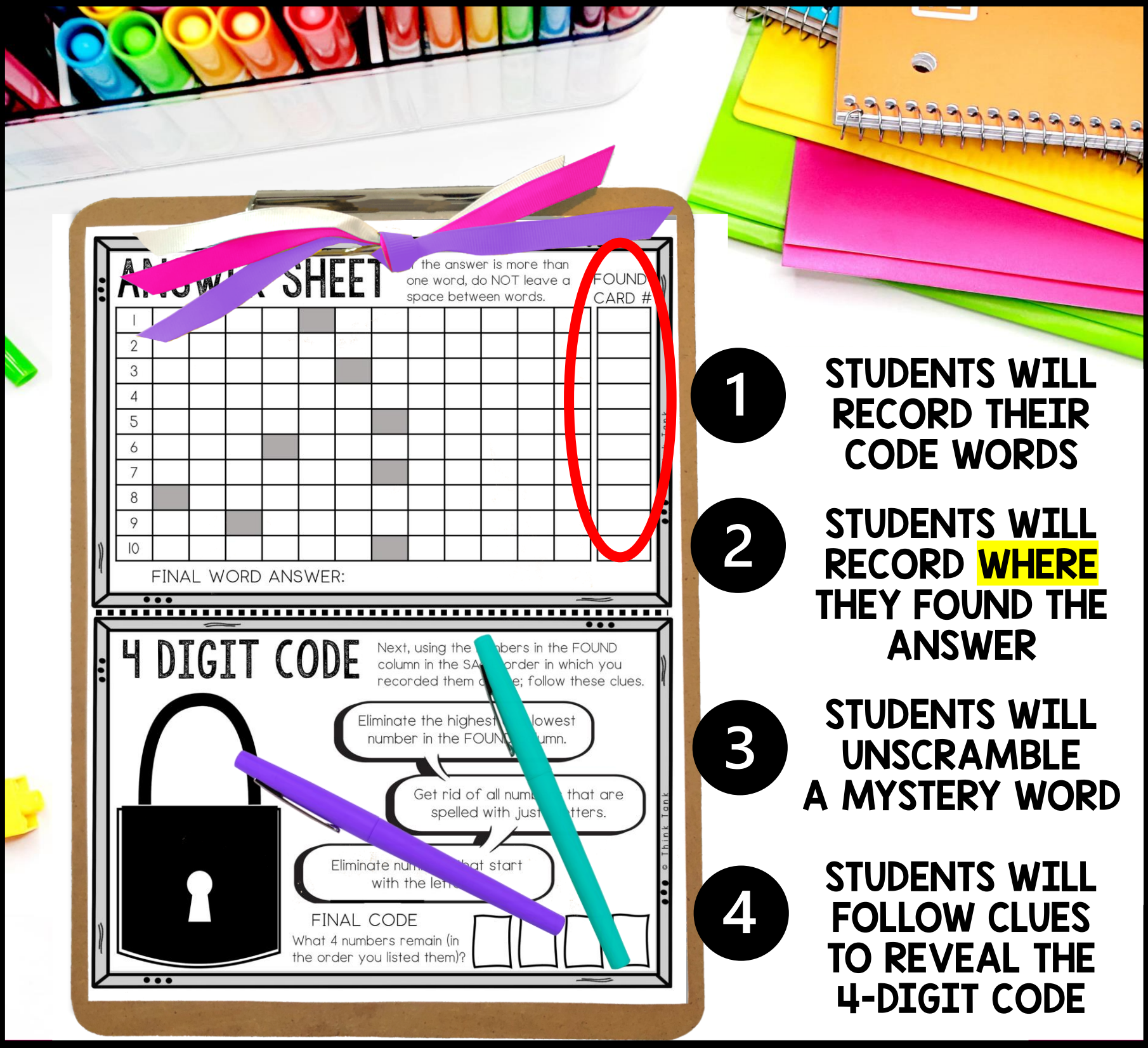
4 numbers remain (in order you listed them)?

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# 10 READING CARDS



# CITE EVIDENCE




1. STUDENTS WILL RECORD THEIR CODE WORDS
2. STUDENTS WILL RECORD WHERE THEY FOUND THE ANSWER
3. STUDENTS WILL UNSCRAMBLE A MYSTERY WORD
4. STUDENTS WILL FOLLOW CLUES TO REVEAL THE 4-DIGIT CODE

# HOW IT WORKS

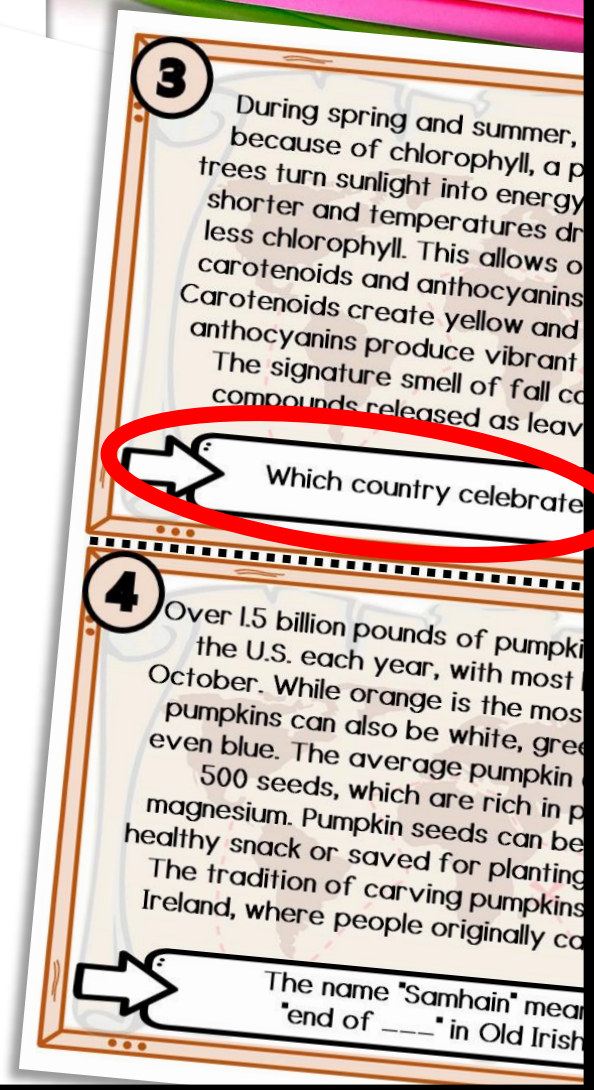


## ENGAGING READING COMPREHENSION PRACTICE!

1. Students work individually (or in pairs) and visit 10 reading cards scattered around the room.

2. Students read the passage and look at the question at the bottom labeled "code word".

3. The code word for THAT card number will lead them to a different card. But here's the catch... students will NOT know where to find the code word answer so they will have to skim, browse and revisit the reading cards several times to find the answer they are seeking.



# COMBINATION



**This scavenger hunt is a winning combination of:**

- ☑ movement
- ☑ close reading
- ☑ comprehension skills
- ☑ mystery words & codes
- ☑ citing evidence
- ☑ critical thinking

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

# OPTIONS



## THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX!

- ANTICIPATORY SETS
- EARLY FINISHERS
- STATIONS
- SUB PLANS
- PARTNER WORK
- ENRICHMENT
- MOVEMENT
- CROSS-CURRICULAR
- HIGHLY ENGAGING

