

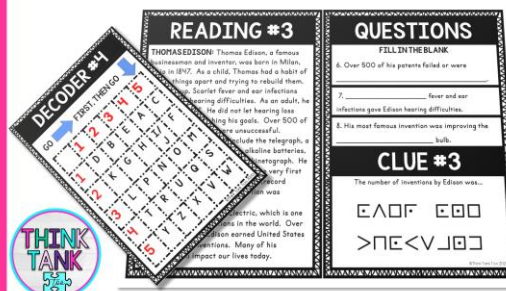
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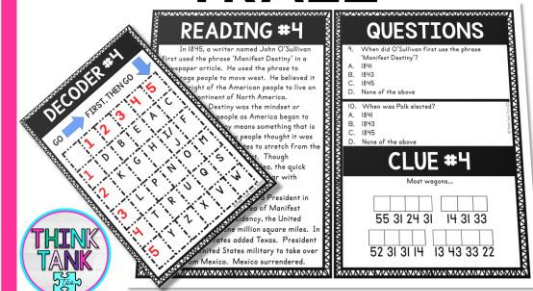
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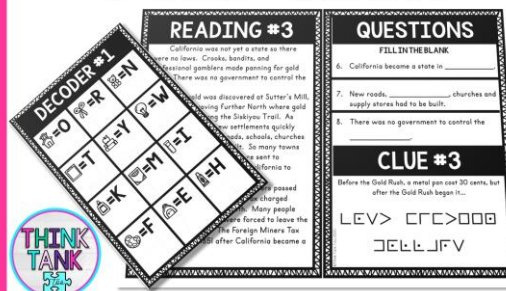
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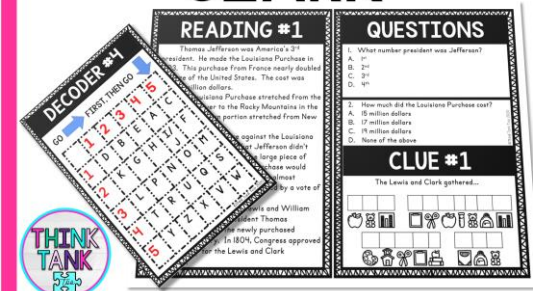
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READING #1

BEFORE THE TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD

Thomas Jefferson sent Lewis and Clark to explore and map the wild west. Then came westward expansion and the Oregon, Santa Fe, and California Trails. Discussions of a transcontinental railroad began in 1830 with Asa Whitney.

President Abraham Lincoln proposed a railroad network to connect California. He signed the Pacific Railroad Act into law in 1862. Travel in the mid-1800s was long, slow, and expensive trips. Wagon train, stagecoach, and foot were the most common ways of traveling.

TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD

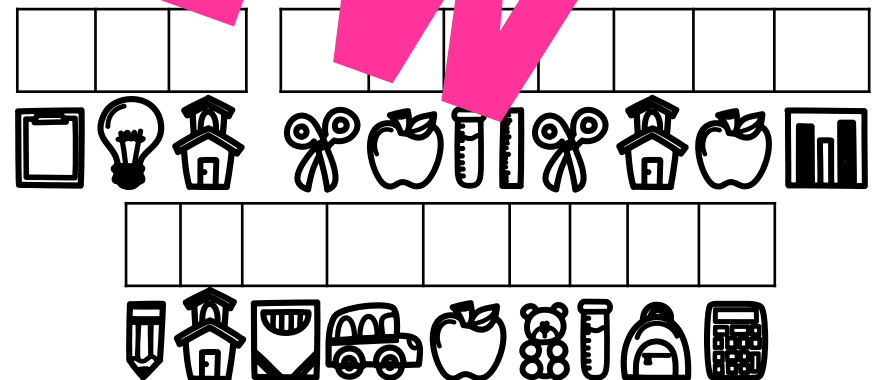
Transcontinental means going across a continent. The transcontinental railroad made a pathway connecting the east and west side of the United States. There were already some railroads, but they didn't connect across the country or to each other. There was no railroad beyond Nebraska.

QUESTIONS

1. When was the Pacific Railroad Act signed into law?
A. 1830
B. 1854
C. 1862
D. 1871
2. There was no railroad beyond _____.
A. Nebraska
B. Maryland
C. Florida
D. None of the above

CLUE #1

The Pacific Railroad Act of 1862 was signed by President Abraham Lincoln and hired...



READING #3

CHALLENGES- Central Pacific began laying track on January 8, 1863. Union Pacific, however, didn't begin until July of 1865 due to financial issues and the Civil War. The transcontinental railroad was built between 1863 and 1869.

Central Pacific began the challenge of blasting through the building tunnels in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Workers would dig lower in baskets and fill holes with explosives. They could only blast about one foot per day.

The Union Pacific hardships included Native Americans. First, some of the land that the government granted the railroad company belonged to the Native Americans. Second, they thought that the "iron horse" (railroad) would interfere with their life. Third, railroad workers sent sharpshooters to remove the buffalo. Native Americans hunt buffalo for food, clothing, and more. The Sioux dismantled rail lines. The Union Pacific ultimately hired the Pawnee tribe to force other tribes away.

QUESTIONS

FILL IN THE BLANK

6. The transcontinental railroad was built between 1863 and _____.

7. The _____ dismantled rail lines.

8. The Union Pacific hardships included _____ Americans.

CLUE #3

The longest tunnel was...

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FINAL CODE

Use the answers found in the completed puzzles
to determine the final code!

The number found in
Puzzle #1.

The number found in
Puzzle #2.

The number found in
Puzzle #3 MINUS 1599.

The number found in
Puzzle #4.

FINAL 4 DIGIT CODE:

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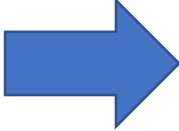
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DECODER #3



DECODER #4

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