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## PREPARATION

Print and copy pages 4-12 (for Clue 2, print page 7 for imperial units or page 8 if you would prefer to use metric units) 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 Hideouts' page handy.
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 Graduation Gremlins' to set up the activity and engage students.

Instruct students that they will need to keep referring back to their Possible Hideouts 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: 'It is a cold place.' So, in this example, students then need to go to their possible hideouts list and cross off any places remaining that are not cold.

Once students have correctly completed all of the clues, only one hideout will remain and that place is where the gremlins are hiding with all of the graduation items. On page 12, the teacher ticks off the 'Well done . . ' box and the student can receive an Award (provided on page 20). If a student gets the wrong place, 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 where the graduation gremlins are hiding! You will find these on pages 13-19. This includes the elimination process of hideouts post each clue. A color coded guide with comments has been provided to show this.

## AWARDS

On page 20 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 you need help, have any questions, or notice an error in my work please email me on JJResourceCreations@gmail.com <br> Thanks! ;)

## CASE OF THE GRADUATION GREMLINS

Date:

## MATH MYSTERY:



It is almost the end of the school year, but trouble has struck Mathhattan Elementary School! Teachers and students have reported that a gang of gremlins have been vandalizing the school and taking all sorts of important items required for graduation celebrations.

Mrs Frumpy complained, "The awards, certificates, memory books, games, prizes, hats and even my microphone have been taken! How are my students going to graduate now? They are so disappointed with these mischievous gremlins trying to ruin the end of year for everyone."

Sophia, a student, cried, "We were going to have a graduation party with food and games, but those terrible gremlins just stormed right into the classroom and took them all!"

Another student, named Anthony, put in the following statement, "I saw a group of gremlins sneak into the Principal's office and run out with her books, awards, trophies and computer! Someone must find where the gremlins are hiding with all of our things so that we can graduate and celebrate the end of year properly!"

## MATH DETECTIVE NEEDED TO SEEK OUT THE GREMLIN GANG HIDEOUT AND RECOVER THE STOLEN GRADUATION ITEMS!!!

The police have made a list of all the possible places the gang of gremlins could be hiding out in. However, they need a super detective with math skills to help them solve this case.
Let's hope that we can find these gremlins trying to ruin graduation, recover all of the stolen items and put a stop to them ruining the end of the school year for everyone!

## -0s 5 :

| Hideout <br> Place | Distance From <br> Mathhattan <br> Elementary <br> School | Size | Temperature <br> of Hideout | Positional <br> Direction | Is it <br> Underground? <br> Yes/NO |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Algebra Island | Far | Large | Warm | West | No |
| Crystal Cave | Close | Large | Cold | East | No |
| Sewer | Close | Large | Cold | North | Yes |
| Abandoned <br> Theme Park | Far | Large | Warm | South | No |
| Pets Paradise <br> Hotel | Close | Large | Warm | East | No |
| Crimson <br> Chambers | Close | Medium | Cold | South | Yes |
| Chuck's Car Yard | Far | Medium | Warm | West | No |
| Pepe's Pizzeria <br> Store Room | Close | Small | Cold | North | No |
| Behind the Donut <br> Queen's Shop | Far | Small | Warm | South | No |
| The Historical <br> Catacombs | Close | Large | Cold | South | Yes |
| Mrs Frumpy's <br> Basement | Close | Small | Cold | North | Yes |
| The Graveyard | Far | Large | Cold | East | No |
| Mathhattan <br> Subway Station | Close | Medium | Warm | South | Yes |
| The Local IT <br> Company | Close | Medium | Cold | South | No |
| Slimewort's <br> Abandoned Lair | Close | Small | Cold | West | Yes |

Solve the clues and then cross the hideout place off the list until one remains!
The last place remaining is where the gremlins are hiding with all of the graduation items!

## ADD, SUBTRACT, MULTIPLY \& DIVIDE -CLUE 1

Crack the code by completing the addition, subtraction, multiplication or division sentences below. 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!
$\mathbf{3 0} \div \mathbf{1 0}=$

$25+25=$ $\qquad$
$88-9=$ $\qquad$
$7 \times 7=$ $\qquad$

$55 \div 5=$

$9 \times 3=$ $\qquad$
T

## $15+16$ <br> C

## Customary Units

## PERIMETER-CLUE 2

Reveal a clue about the Gremlins hideout place by using the information given for each shape and solving the length of the side marked with a question mark (?). Use your answers to find which letter to place inside each shape. The first one has been done for you!


Perimeter: 20ft

$5 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{I} \quad 11 \mathrm{ft}=0$
$15 f t=C$
$20 f t=L$
$8 f t=L$
$6 f t=P \quad 3 f t=T$
$50 f t=E$
$4 f t=C$
$10 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{I}$
$12 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{D} \quad 2 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{A} \quad 7 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{A} \quad 9 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{S}$

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Perimeter: 20 m

$5 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{I}$
$11 m=0$
$15 m=c$
$20 m=L$
$8 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{L}$
$6 m=P$
$3 m=T$
$50 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{E}$
$4 m=C$
$10 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{I}$

$$
12 m=D \quad 2 m=A \quad 7 m=A \quad 9 m=S
$$

## REDUCING FRACTIONS-CLUE 3

In the grid below you will find a number of public statements that the police collected, however unfortunately only one of them is revealing the correct clue. Reduce the fractions to their lowest terms in the list at the bottom of the page, and then look for your answers in the statement boxes and cross out each box that matches with your answers (meaning that the statement in that box has been eliminated). The one statement box left standing after completing all of the questions, is the one with the correct clue!

| Do you think that it is possible that the gremlins are hiding in the school? | My sister said that she saw a gang of gremlins running with all of the graduation items towards Chuck's Car Yard. | There has been some gossip around town that they are hiding in a medium sized place south of Mathhattan Elementary. | I'd say they are probably also who are responsible for our poor Internet connection lately, have you checked in with the Local IT Company? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{7}{9}$ | $\frac{6}{7}$ | $\frac{1}{5}$ | $\frac{2}{5}$ |
| I think I saw a couple of gremlins hiding a stash of certificates at a place in the northern direction. $\frac{3}{10}$ | I saw this medium place that would be great for hiding all of the items they took. $\frac{3}{5}$ | They are probably lurking in one of those strange places located in the south. $\frac{1}{2}$ | I'm pretty sure the gremlins have been meddling with my computer every night! $\frac{5}{6}$ |
| My guess is that the gremlins are probably hiding in a large place. $\frac{1}{4}$ | I heard that gremlins are scared of the dark, so they wouldn't be hiding underground. $\frac{1}{7}$ | My Aunt said that she spoke to a man who said that he saw a bunch of gremlins running with the graduation items west of Mathhattan. | I wouldn't be surprised if they were colluding with Mrs Frumpy and in fact hiding in her basement! $\frac{3}{4}$ |
| The gremlins must be hiding underground to not be easily noticed or found with all of the items. $\frac{7}{10}$ | The gremlins must be hiding in a small place, because they like confined spaces. $\frac{1}{3}$ | I'm pretty sure I saw a gremlin running into the local IT company. $\frac{1}{6}$ | Rumor has it that the gremlins are probably using Slimewort's abandoned lair. $\frac{2}{3}$ |

$\frac{2}{6}=$
$\frac{2}{4}=$
$\frac{2}{10}=$
$\frac{4}{6}=\quad \frac{2}{8}=$
$=$

| $\frac{7}{9}=$ | $\frac{6}{10}=$ | $\frac{8}{10}=$ | $\frac{6}{15}=$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\frac{6}{8}=$ | $\frac{6}{36}=$ | $\frac{12}{14}=$ | $\frac{3}{10}=$ |

## TIME PATTERNS - CLUE 4

Crack the code by filling in the missing times in the time patterns below. Use your answers to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal a 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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\text { 4:00, 4:10, 4:20, } \mathbf{N}^{\mathbf{N}} \text { 4:40, 4:50, 5:00 }
$$






## ADDITION - CLUE 5

Discover clue 5 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!

| 230 | 104 | 562 | 720 | 190 | 344 | 108 | 639 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +225 | +210 | +300 | +120 | +315 | +311 | +242 | +270 |
| 455 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| T |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| 482 +431 | $\begin{array}{r}700 \\ +198 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 361 +509 | 175 +499 | $\begin{array}{r} 819 \\ +192 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}722 \\ +\quad 56 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underline{+431}$ | +198 | $+509$ | +499 | $\underline{+192}$ | + 56 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |


| $\begin{array}{r}240 \\ +610 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}473 \\ +308 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 784 $+\quad 92$ | $\begin{array}{r}551 \\ +348 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}106 \\ +\quad 55 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}596 \\ +\quad 45 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}250 \\ +250 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}700 \\ +203 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | +308 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { + } 92 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r}+\quad 55 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { + } 45 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| $\begin{array}{r}618 \\ +184 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}492 \\ +\quad 64 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}400 \\ +600 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}350 \\ +350 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}168 \\ +329 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}502 \\ +416 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}105 \\ +130 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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

| $455=\mathrm{T}$ | $505=\mathrm{L}$ | $674=\mathrm{T}$ | $655=\mathrm{A}$ | $235=\mathrm{E}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $641=\mathrm{F}$ | $350=\mathrm{C}$ | $556=\mathrm{T}$ | $781=\mathrm{A}$ |
| $903=\mathrm{R}$ | $1011=\mathrm{B}$ | $161=\mathrm{E}$ | $870=\mathrm{S}$ | $876=\mathrm{R}$ |
| $850=\mathrm{L}$ | $862=\mathrm{E}$ | $314=\mathrm{H}$ | $840=\mathrm{P}$ | $700=\mathrm{R}$ |
| $497=\mathrm{A}$ | $500=\mathrm{O}$ | $802=\mathrm{S}$ | $899=\mathrm{G}$ | $909=\mathrm{E}$ |
| $913=\mathrm{M}$ | $918=\mathrm{G}$ | $1000=\mathrm{O}$ | $778=\mathrm{E}$ | $898=\mathrm{U}$ |



Detective
(your name)

## Has discovered that the Graduation Gremlins'

 Hideout is:Clues Checklist:


Clue $4 \square$
Clue $5 \square$

Teacher to check and tick
Well done you have found where the gremlins are hiding and recovered all of the graduation items!


Oops! No that is not where the gremlins are hiding. Try Again.

## ANSWER SHEET-CLUE 1

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$15+16$ $\qquad$
C

## ANSWER SHEET - CLUE 2

Reveal a clue about the Gremlins hideout place by using the information given for each shape and solving the length of the side marked with a question mark (?). Use your answers to find which letter to place inside each shape. The first one has been done for. you!

$5 \mathrm{ft}=1 \quad 11 \mathrm{ft}=0 \quad 15 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{C} \quad 20 \mathrm{ft}$

## Cross off places

 that are not cold.$6 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{P}$
$3 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{T}$
50ft $=\mathrm{E}$
$4 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{C}$
$10 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{l}$
$12 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{D}$
$2 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{A}$
$7 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{A}$
$9 \mathrm{ft}=\mathrm{S}$

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? $=15 \mathrm{~m}$


Perimeter: 150 m
? $=50 \mathrm{~m}$

Perimeter: 38 m
$?=12 \mathrm{~m}$


## $5 m=1$

$11 \mathrm{~m}=0$
$6 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{P}$
$3 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{T}$
$50 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{E}$
$4 m=C$
$10 \mathrm{~m}=1$
$12 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{D}$
$2 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{A}$
$7 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{A}$
$9 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{S}$

## Cross off places

 that are not cold.20m
$15 m=C$

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$$
\begin{array}{llll}
\frac{7}{9}=\frac{7}{9} & \frac{6}{10}=\frac{3}{5} & \frac{8}{10}=\frac{4}{5} & \frac{10}{12}=\frac{5}{6} \\
\frac{6}{8}=\frac{3}{4} & \frac{6}{36}=\frac{6}{6} & =\frac{2}{5} \\
\frac{15}{14}=\frac{6}{7} & \frac{3}{10}=\frac{3}{10} & \frac{10}{70}=\frac{1}{7}
\end{array}
$$

## ANSWER SHEET- CLUE 4

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$$
1: 30,3: 30, \frac{5: 30}{W}, 7: 30,9: 30, \frac{11: 30}{S}
$$

$$
\text { 4:00, 4:10, 4:20, } \frac{4: 30}{\mathbf{N}}, 4: 40,4: 50,5: 00
$$



Keep any remaining places positioned in the south.

## ANSWER SHEET CLUE 5

Discover clue 5 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!

| 230 | 104 | 562 | 720 | 190 | 344 | 108 | 639 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +225 | +210 | +300 | +120 | +315 | +311 | +242 | +270 |
| 455 | 314 | 862 | 840 | 505 | 655 | 350 | 909 |
| T | H | E | P | L | A | C | E |


| 482 | 700 | 361 | 175 | 819 | 722 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +431 | +198 | +509 | +499 | +192 | ( |
| 913 | 898 | 870 | 674 | 1011 | 778 |
| M | U | S | T | B | E |


| 240 | 473 | 784 | 551 | 106 | 596 | 250 | 700 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +610 | +308 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { a } \\ +\quad 92 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | +348 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { + } 55 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | +45 | +250 | +203 |
| 850 | 781 | 876 | 899 | 161 | 641 | 500 | 903 |
| L | A | R | G | E | F | $\bigcirc$ | R |


| 618 | 492 | 400 | 350 | 168 | 502 | 105 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +184 | + 64 | +600 | $+350$ | +329 | +416 | +130 |
| 802 | 556 | 1000 | 700 | 497 | 918 | 235 |
| S | T | $\bigcirc$ | R | A | G | E |

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

| $455=T$ | $505=\mathrm{L}$ | $674=T$ | 655 = A | Cross off any remaining |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $641=F$ | $350=C$ | $556=$ T | places not large. This |
| $903=R$ | 1011 = B | $161=E$ | $870=$ S | places not large. This |
| $850=L$ | $862=E$ | $314=\mathrm{H}$ | $840=P$ | should now leave the |
| 497 = A | $500=0$ | $802=S$ | 899 = G | hideout only remaining. |
| $913=\mathrm{M}$ | 918 = G | $1000=0$ | $778=\mathrm{E}$ |  |


| Hideout |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Place | Distance From <br> Mathhattan <br> Elementary <br> School | Size | Temperature <br> of Hideout | Positional <br> Direction <br> from the <br> school | Underground <br> Yes/NO |
| Algebra Island | Far | Large | Warm | West | No |
| Crystal Cave | Close | Large | Cold | East | No |
| Sewer | Close | Large | Cold | North | Yes |
| Abandoned <br> Theme Park | Far | Large | Warm | South | No |
| Pets Paradise <br> Hotel | Close | Large | Warm | East | No |
| Crimson <br> Chambers | Close | Medium | Cold | South | Yes |
| Chuck's Car Yard | Far | Medium | Warm | West | No |
| Pepe's Pizzeria <br> Store Room | Close | Small | Cold | North | No |
| Behind the Donut <br> Queen's Shop | Far | Small | Warm | South | No |
| TheHistorical | Close | Large | Cold | South | Yes |
| Catacombs |  |  |  |  |  |


| Mrs Frumpy's <br> Basement | Close | smail | Lold | North | Yes |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Graveyard | Far | Large | Cold | East | No |
| Mathhattan <br> Subway Station | Close | Medium | Warm | South | Yes |
| The Local IT <br> Company | Close | Medium | Cold | South | No |

Slimewort's Close Small Cold
Abandoned Lair
On the answer sheets you will find a comment about which places need to be crossed off. Please refer to the color of the font and the color of the shaded places to show where has been crossed off from that clue.


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