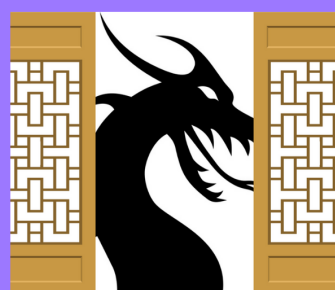


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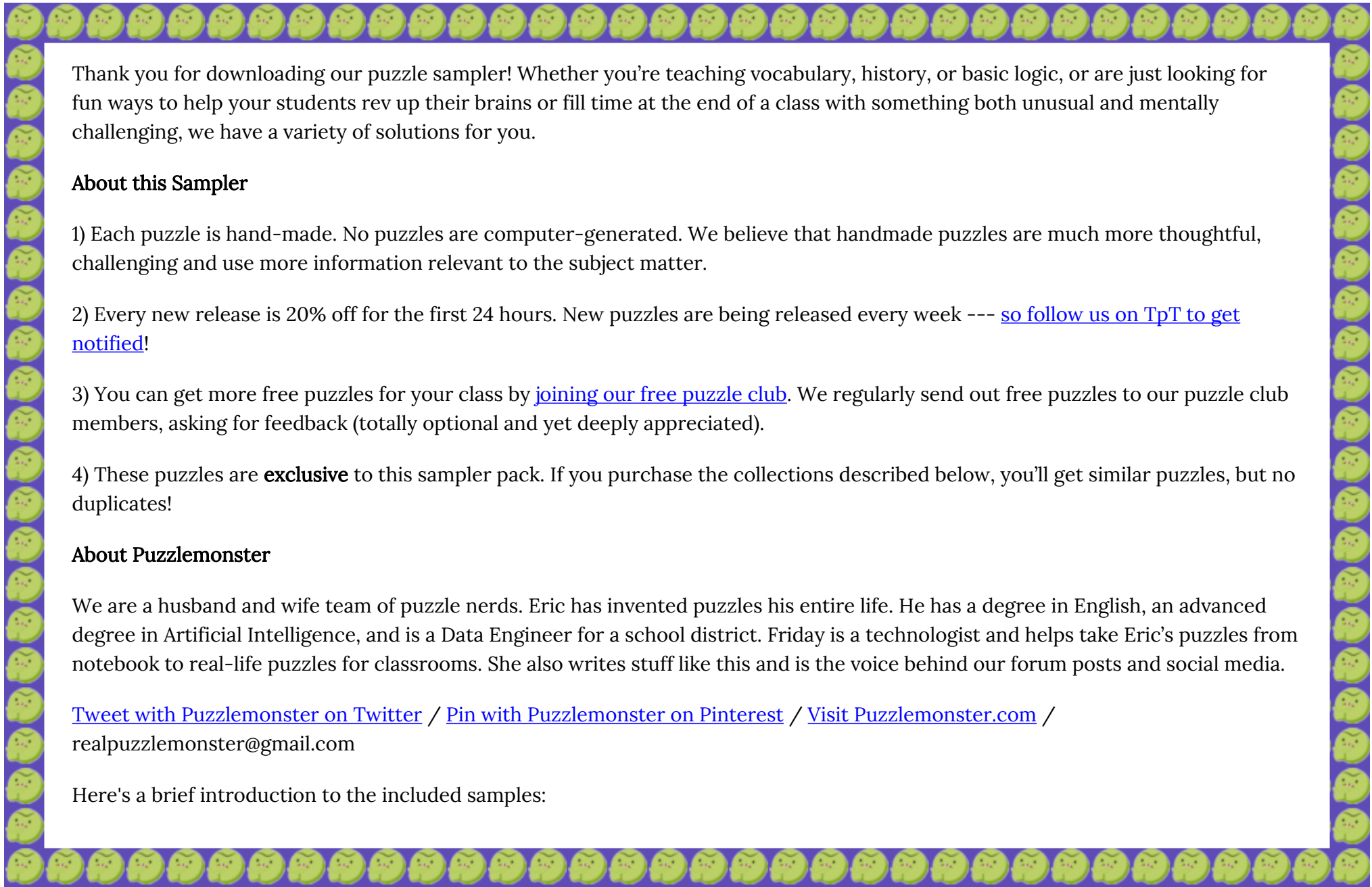


WORD PUZZLE
SAMPLER
IN COLOR



Featuring Samples of
Puzzles as Seen in:





Thank you for downloading our puzzle sampler! Whether you're teaching vocabulary, history, or basic logic, or are just looking for fun ways to help your students rev up their brains or fill time at the end of a class with something both unusual and mentally challenging, we have a variety of solutions for you.

About this Sampler

- 1) Each puzzle is hand-made. No puzzles are computer-generated. We believe that handmade puzzles are much more thoughtful, challenging and use more information relevant to the subject matter.
- 2) Every new release is 20% off for the first 24 hours. New puzzles are being released every week --- [so follow us on TpT to get notified!](#)
- 3) You can get more free puzzles for your class by [joining our free puzzle club](#). We regularly send out free puzzles to our puzzle club members, asking for feedback (totally optional and yet deeply appreciated).
- 4) These puzzles are **exclusive** to this sampler pack. If you purchase the collections described below, you'll get similar puzzles, but no duplicates!

About Puzzlemonster

We are a husband and wife team of puzzle nerds. Eric has invented puzzles his entire life. He has a degree in English, an advanced degree in Artificial Intelligence, and is a Data Engineer for a school district. Friday is a technologist and helps take Eric's puzzles from notebook to real-life puzzles for classrooms. She also writes stuff like this and is the voice behind our forum posts and social media.

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Here's a brief introduction to the included samples:

Quotation Detective - can your students reconstruct these quotes from these famous historical figures?

Are you looking for new ways to introduce historical topics, put your students' linguistic skills to the test, and maybe do some team building, all at the same time?

Here's the backstory to Quotation Detective: the evil Dr. Malicious is trying to erase famous figures from history by mangling some of their quotations. Your students have to put those quotes back together in order to stop her!

There are currently two collections of Quotation Detective. One contains quotes from figures from the Age of Enlightenment: You can get this in both [color](#) and [black/white](#) - or get a [bundle of both](#).

The other collection covers the Industrial Revolution in America. There's a worksheet activities pack available in [black/white](#). You can also get [individual worksheets](#) to try out. The [color slides](#) version makes it easy to project onto a whiteboard. You can also get a [bundle of both](#).

All our Quotation Detective puzzles will be available in an interactive digital format which is coming shortly - [follow us](#) to get notified! It will be totally cool! :)

Are you ready to solve a quote that Dr. Malicious tore up? There's a color slide version of Quotation Detective from Ralph Waldo Emerson to try out!

Defeat the Dragon #2 - Logic reasoning skills in easy-to-use functional formats.

Defeat the Dragon #2 contains puzzles that will help your students practice concepts in deductive logic such as truth values of statements and reasoning by contradiction as they try to figure out which door leads to the gold and which door leads to a dragon.

As you can see, a detailed explanation of the logic used to solve the puzzle is included, so it also works as a mini-lesson in logical reasoning. There are three separate functional formats of Defeat the Dragon #2. Each format has the same questions so they can be

used together:

- 1) [A purely black and white worksheet](#) format that is totally self-contained and no-prep. Once your students solve the puzzle, they are asked to answer questions about how they solved it. This worksheet version meets Common Core standards W.6.1, W.7.1, W.8.1. You can get all [five worksheets separately](#) or in a [bundle](#).
- 2) [A color version](#) that's easy to display using an overhead projector. Split your students into pairs or small groups to work together. This color version meets Common Core standards W.6.1, W.7.1, W.8.1.
- 3) [A fun activity](#) - cut out the tokens and the clues, and place them in the slots indicated on the game board. Full instructions are included. Laminate the pieces and the game board to use over and over!

If you want it all, we have [bundled all three functional formats into one mega-bundle](#).

Ready to try Defeat the Dragon #2? There's a sample of the color slides included to try out!

Cross Word Search - A cross between a crossword puzzle and a word search.

We know that sometimes it can be difficult to keep all of your students challenged. So many times, most of your class will be working on a quiz or project and your early finishers have nothing to do. Why not let them stretch their vocabulary with some pop culture-themed word puzzles?

A cross word search puzzle is a cross between crossword and word search. First, your students solve the clues to find the words hidden in the word search grid. Once they have found all of the words, the remaining letters provide the funny answers to the Riddle.

In addition to the [color](#) and [black/white](#) versions of our original TV Riddles puzzle, we also have a [Halloween-themed Cross Word search](#) - and more are coming this winter!

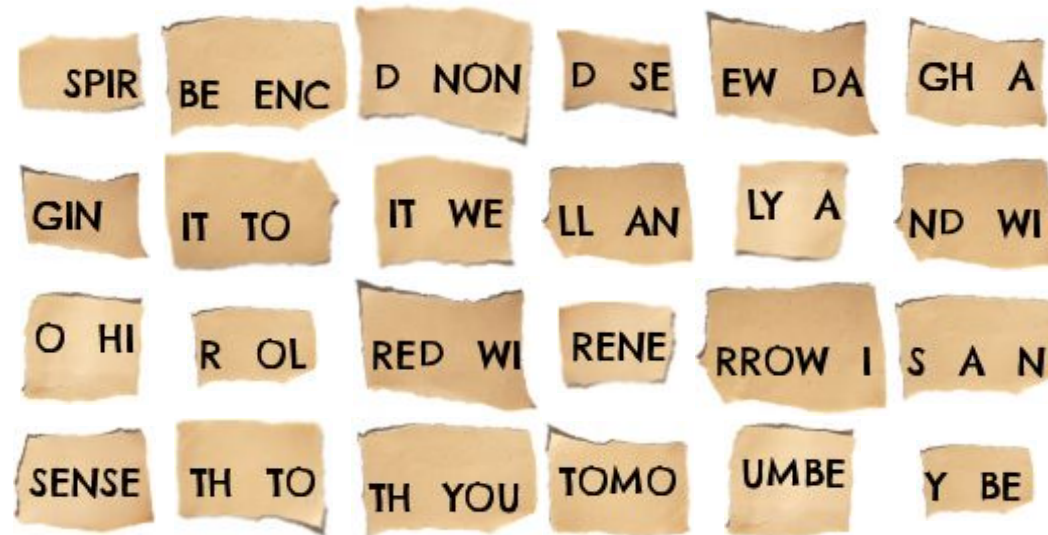
Ready to Cross Word search? We've included a color version for your students to try out!

Quotation Detective Sample

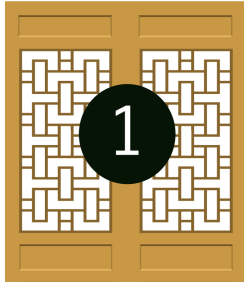
Dr. Malicious is at it again! Only you can stop her, Quotation Detective!

The transcendentalist movement began in the early 19th century. Its adherents were strong believers in the power of the individual and the importance of personal freedom. One of the founders of the movement was philosopher, poet and essayist Ralph Waldo Emerson, who wrote the influential essay "Self-Reliance." Now, Dr. Malicious is trying to erase him from history!

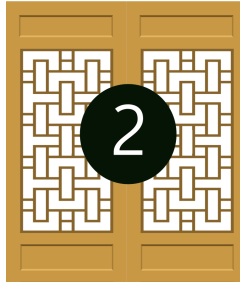
Below is a quotation from Emerson that Dr. Malicious has torn apart beyond recognition. We can't put it back together - can you?



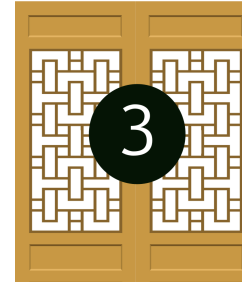
Defeat the Dragon #2 Sample



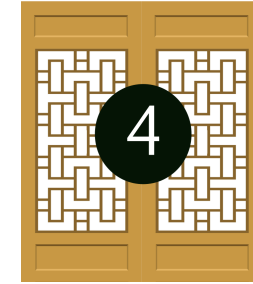
The dragon is behind door 4.



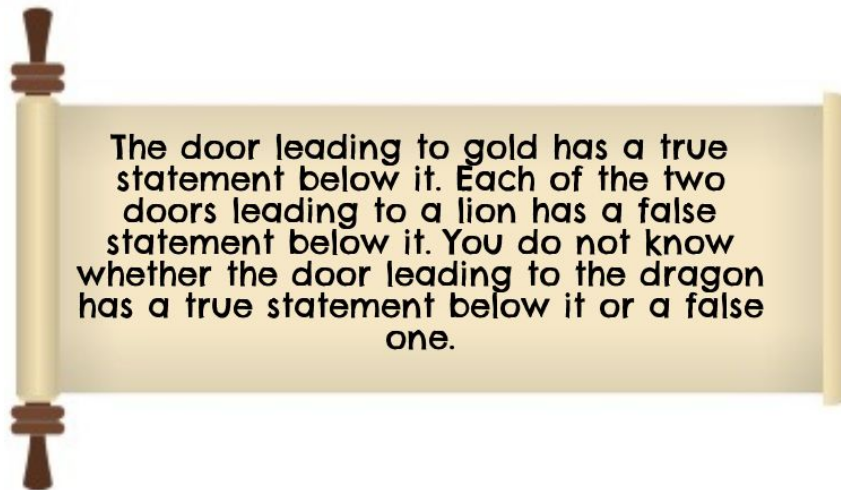
The dragon is NOT behind door 4.



Either gold or a lion is behind door 1.



Gold is behind door 2.



Use your logic to defeat the dragon!

1. Which door leads to gold? Which door leads to the dragon?
2. Explain how you came to this answer.

Cross Word Search Sample

Find and circle the words that fit the clues. The remaining letters will spell out the answer to the question below.

A	D	U	R	I	N	G	S
R	M	I	N	I	O	N	B
O	H	A	A	F	G	I	A
H	S	B	D	D	U	K	F
T	T	H	G	I	E	R	F
E	E	O	Y	P	S	I	L
L	R	R	O	G	S	O	E
P	N	T	A	T	G	A	N

1. Aggravating
2. Canine (for example)
3. Cargo
4. Conjecture
5. Early U.S. president
6. Harsh
7. Kansas capital
8. Loathe
9. Perplex
10. Spread out
11. Surplus
12. Sycophant
13. Throughout



What pop singer is not entirely trustworthy?

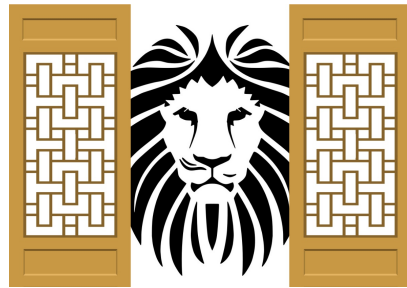
Answer for Quotation Detective Sample



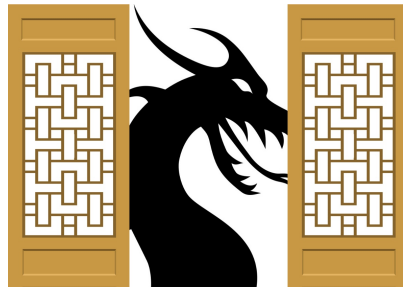
"Tomorrow is a new day; begin
it well and serenely and with
too high a spirit to be
encumbered with your old
nonsense." - Ralph Waldo
Emerson

Did you know? Ralph Waldo Emerson had a profound impact on a number of other writers of his time. It was his land on Walden Pond on which Henry David Thoreau built his famous cabin. He lent books to his neighbor's child, Louisa May Alcott, who grew up to write *Little Women*. And it was his encouragement of poet Walt Whitman that led him to publish a second edition of what is now his most famous work, *Leaves of Grass*.

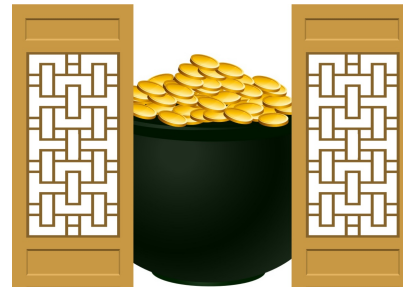
Answer for Defeat the Dragon #2 Sample



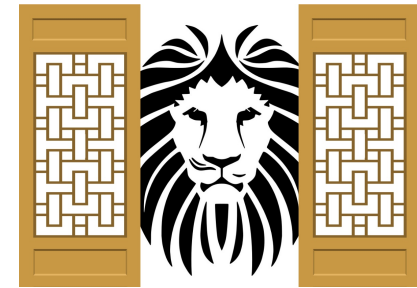
Door 1
A LION



Door 2
THE DRAGON



Door 3
GOLD



Door 4
A LION

Explanation: Suppose gold is behind door 4. Then the statement below that door is true, so gold is behind door 2. This is a contradiction; therefore, gold is not behind door 4.

Suppose the dragon is behind door 4. Then the statement below door 1 is true. A lion can't be behind a door with a true statement below it, so gold must be behind door 1, and a lion must be behind door 2 and door 3. But if gold is behind door 1, the statement below door 3 is true, which is not possible if a lion is behind that door. Therefore, the dragon is not behind door 4. By process of elimination, a lion must be behind door 4.

Since a lion is behind door 4, the statement below it must be false, so gold is not behind door 2. However, the statement on door 2 is true, so since gold is not behind that door, the dragon must be behind door 2.

Therefore, the statement below door 1 is false, so a lion must be behind that door. By process of elimination, gold is behind door 3.

Answer for Cross Word Search Sample

Find and circle the words that fit the clues. The remaining letters will spell out the answer to the question below.

A	D	U	R	I	N	G	S
R	M	I	N	I	O	N	B
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H	S	B	D	D	U	K	F
T	T	H	G	I	E	R	F
E	E	O	Y	P	S	I	L
L	R	R	O	G	S	O	E
P	N	T	A	T	G	A	N

1. IRKING
2. TOOTH
3. FREIGHT
4. GUESS
5. MADISON
6. STERN
7. TOPEKA
8. ABHOR
9. BAFFLE
10. UNFURL
11. PLETHORA
12. MINION
13. DURING



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