

Story Clue Detectives

Use text clues to make a prediction, then check it.

1.6.C “make and correct or confirm predictions using text features, characteristics of genre, and structures with adult assistance;”

NAME _____

DATE _____

Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 GUESS FIRST

a	dragon	rain	cookie
b	rhymes	characters	steps
c	ending	directions	facts

2 CHECK IT

a	change	maybe	yes
b	yes	change	maybe
c	maybe	change	yes

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each row aloud and pause for students to mark one choice. Students use a title, text type, heading, or order words to predict, then listen to text details to decide whether the prediction fits or needs changing.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • GUESS FIRST

SAY "I will tell you a title and the type of text. Listen to the three words in each row. Which word matches what you think the text will have? Circle that word."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	A nonfiction book is called Weather Today. What might it teach you about? The choices are dragon, rain, cookie. Which word will you circle?	rain
b	A recipe is called Fruit Salad. What might the recipe show? The choices are rhymes, characters, steps. Which word will you circle?	steps
c	A story is called The Lost Sock. What will the story have? The choices are ending, directions, facts. Which word will you circle?	ending

PART 2 • CHECK IT

SAY "I will remind you of a prediction, then read words from a text. Do the words show that the prediction fits, or does it need to change? Circle yes or change."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	A nonfiction page is called Animal Homes. Its heading is Beaver Homes. You predicted it would tell a fact about a beaver's home. I read, "A beaver makes its home in a lodge." Does your prediction fit? The choices are change, maybe, yes. Which word will you circle?	yes
b	A how-to text is called Wash Hands. You predicted it would give steps in order. I read, "First, wet your hands. Next, add soap." Does your prediction fit? The choices are yes, change, maybe. Which word will you circle?	yes
c	A story is called A Day at the Park. You predicted it would give directions. I read, "Mia raced to the slide. She laughed with her brother." Does your prediction fit? The choices are maybe, change, yes. Which word will you circle?	change

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Guess First answers are rain, steps, ending. Check It answers are yes, yes, change. Accept a clear circle around the correct word.