





5. What does **origin** mean in the *Catching Arsonists* book?

*Investigators looked at how the wildfire started. They went to its **origin**.*

- A. the place where something began
- B. the place where something ended
- C. a time far back in the past

6. What does **fiction** mean in the *Catching Arsonists* book?

*The book was **fiction**. It told a story about an arsonist.*

- A. a book of math problems
- B. a book that tells a tale
- C. a book that has been lost



## **ANSWER KEY FOR CRACKING THE CASE: CATCHING ARSONISTS**

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. A
4. A
5. A
6. B





5. What does **disguises** mean in the *Catching Art Thieves* book?

*Thieves often wear masks or other **disguises** to hide their faces.*

- A. ways of hiding who someone is
- B. ways of hiding where someone moves
- C. ways of telling where someone goes

6. What does **distractions** mean in the *Catching Art Thieves* book?

*But some thieves use **distractions**. For example, they may create loud sounds.*

- A. things that make no sound
- B. things that take people's attention
- C. things that police use to catch thieves



## **ANSWER KEY FOR CRACKING THE CASE: CATCHING ART THIEVES**

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. A
4. A
5. A
6. B



# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

## CRACKING THE CASE: CATCHING ASSASSINS

1. Write a paragraph that explains the main ideas of Chapter 3.
2. What do you think is the best type of evidence against an assassin? Why?
3. When was President John F. Kennedy assassinated?
  - A. 1963
  - B. 1968
  - C. 1976
4. Why might investigators try to keep their own DNA off of evidence?
  - A. so their DNA will spread to more places
  - B. so their DNA won't mix with suspects' DNA
  - C. so suspects' DNA will be harder to find



5. What does **commission** mean in the *Catching Assassins* book?

*The US government formed a **commission**. This group investigated the Kennedy assassination.*

- A. a group with a specific goal
- B. a group that helps plan a crime
- C. a group that tries to pass laws

6. What does **massive** mean in the *Catching Assassins* book?

*There was a **massive** hunt for Ray. It became a huge law enforcement operation.*

- A. very short
- B. very cold
- C. very large



## **ANSWER KEY FOR CRACKING THE CASE: CATCHING ASSASSINS**

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. A
4. B
5. A
6. C





5. What does **valuable** mean in the *Catching Bank Robbers* book?

*Bank robbers steal money, jewelry, or other **valuable** items.*

- A. not worth any money
- B. worth lots of money
- C. hard to pick up

6. What does **negotiators** mean in the *Catching Bank Robbers* book?

*If that happens, police bring in **negotiators**. These people talk with the robbers. They try to convince the robbers to come out peacefully and let the hostages go.*

- A. people who try to reach agreements
- B. people who try to start disagreements
- C. people who team up with robbers



## **ANSWER KEY FOR CRACKING THE CASE: CATCHING BANK ROBBERS**

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. C
4. C
5. B
6. A





5. What does **disasters** mean in the *Catching Scammers* book?

*This type of scam is common after floods, wildfires, and other **disasters**.*

- A. events that cause harm
- B. events that make people happy
- C. places that people visit

6. What does **victims** mean in the *Catching Scammers* book?

*Scammers often targeted elderly people. **Victims** lost hundreds of thousands of dollars.*

- A. people who try to scam others
- B. people who have been harmed
- C. people who work to stop scams



## **ANSWER KEY FOR CRACKING THE CASE: CATCHING SCAMMERS**

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. B
4. C
5. A
6. B



# COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

## CRACKING THE CASE: CATCHING SERIAL KILLERS

1. Write a paragraph that explains the main ideas of Chapter 2.
2. What do you think is the best way to catch a serial killer? Why?
3. Who created an algorithm that helps catch serial killers?
  - A. Thomas K. Hargrove
  - B. Harold Shipman
  - C. Gary Ridgway
4. How could DNA evidence help prove a suspect's guilt?
  - A. It could show that a suspect knew the victim.
  - B. It could show where a suspect lives.
  - C. It could prove that the suspect was at the crime scene.



5. What does **contacted** mean in the *Catching Serial Killers* book?

*But he wanted fame. So, he **contacted** the police and the media. He sent letters and photos of his victims.*

- A. got in touch with
- B. tried to hide from
- C. took money from

6. What does **suspicious** mean in the *Catching Serial Killers* book?

*This time, he made a mistake. He put himself in the victim's will. Her family became **suspicious**. They had the patient's body tested.*

- A. happy about something
- B. worried that something is wrong
- C. tired of something



## **ANSWER KEY FOR CRACKING THE CASE: CATCHING SERIAL KILLERS**

1. Answers will vary
2. Answers will vary
3. A
4. C
5. A
6. B