# MATH MYSTERY

## CASE OF THE DIVIDED

# dragons

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## Teacher Resource Instructions

#### PREPARATION

Print and copy pages 4-11 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 Suspects' page handy.
- If it is a difficult skill or something not yet done with your students, demonstration and a lesson before completing that clue is recommended.
- You could get students to work independently, or in pairs/groups.
  IMPORTANT: <u>The clues must be completed in the order I have arranged them in i.e. 1-5!</u>

#### HOW TO USE

Read through the article on page 4 'Math Mystery: Case of The Divided Dragons' to set up the activity and engage students.

Instruct students that they will need to keep referring back to their Possible Suspects list after solving each clue. Whole rows must be eliminated at a time, the final row remaining will reveal which dragon is responsible for the division of the Dragon Alliance.

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: 'The Grand Dragonian Diamond is still in its place.' So, in this example, students can conclude that all suspect rows with 'Stole the Grand Dragonian Diamond' need to be eliminated. Whole rows must be crossed out at a time.

Once students have correctly completed all of the clues, only one suspect will remain, and that is the dragon who is responsible for the divided dragons dilemma. On page 11, the teacher ticks off the 'Well done . . . ' box and the student can receive an Award (provided on page 18) if they declare the correct dragon. If a student gets the wrong dragon, 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 which dragon is the culprit. You will find these on pages 12-17. This includes the elimination process of rows post each clue.

#### AWARDS

On page 18 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 applicable.

#### If you need help, have any questions, or notice an error in my work please email me on

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Thanks! 🙂

## MATH MYSTERY: CASE OF THE DIVIDED DRAGONS

#### Date:

Three hundred years ago, the four great dragon leagues ended their war and made a peaceful pact. Instead, they began to work as a team in order to protect Mathhattan and its surrounding islands from an extremely mysterious and mighty magical underworld that lies beneath the surface. The Dragon Alliance have played a very important part towards keeping the strong forces of this powerful and unusual magic from being released into our realm.

Mathattan's concern is on the rise as recent events reveal that the four dragon leagues are suddenly divided... they are at war once again. With the dragons not working together, the magical forces from the underworld will flow into ours and we are currently not protected. Larry the Wizard and Tabitha the Witch expressed that the Magical Elders' Council are extremely concerned by this division of the dragons. Larry exclaimed, "There are magical forces that we must keep from our cities such as Mathhattan. What lurks beneath the surface of our regular world needs to be kept there, if our two realms collide it could be disastrous! Our magical powers won't stand a chance next to what exists down there, and we fear that with the dragons focusing their anger on one another, there is no one else strong enough to protect us."

Sheldon the Shaman assisted by sending his magical winds into the underworld to get a better understanding of what is causing the dilemma amongst the dragons. He informed Larry and Tabitha, "The winds whisper to me that the division is definitely happening due to something making the dragons angry with each other. The conflict is not just between the four leagues; it is also within the leagues themselves. The winds say that one of the dragons is behind it, but who and why is unknown. If we are to investigate this mystery, we will need to travel into the magical underworld ourselves to explore for clues."

With the information Sheldon brought forward, Larry and Tabitha both agree that an investigation within the dragons needs to happen. Larry stated, **"If we can solve which dragon started this problem and why, we may be able to help resolve the issue and restore the dragon alliance before too much threatening magic is released into our realm."** 

Larry, Tabitha and Sheldon are requesting the help of a great math detective to join them in their journey into the magical underworld to solve this mystery. Larry pleads, "Please help us with this mystery, it is important that we help reunite the dragons to work as one." Sheldon adds, "We will keep you protected as you assist us with this case."

#### ATTENTION MATH DETECTIVE: YOU'VE BEEN SUMMONED INTO THE MAGICAL UNDERWORLD TO SOLVE THE CASE OF THE DIVIDED DRAGONS

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Suspect Dragon Name	Color of Scales	Dragon Type	League	What did they do to cause the conflict?	Motive
Dracoy The Destroyer	Blue	Arcane	The Champion Chasers	Stole the Grand Dragonian Diamond	Wants magic to be released everywhere
Sliverscale The Victorious	Green	Shadow	The Dragons of the Veil	Puffed a curse of conflict	Wants to be the new dragon leader
Sudreth The Powerful	Blue	Elemental	The Ancient Warriors	Destroyed the Alliance Banner	Wants magic to be released everywhere
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Solve the clues and then cross the dragons off the list until only one dragon remains! The last dragon remaining is the one responsible for the divided Dragon A lliance! <u>Whole rows must be eliminated at a time</u>.

### DIVIDE MULTI-DIGIT NUMBERS BY 1-DIGIT NUMBERS – CLUE 1

Discover an important clue by completing the division questions below. Use your answers, including any remainders, to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal the first 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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### **DIVIDING NUMBERS ENDING IN ZEROES – CLUE 2**

Discover an important clue by completing the division questions. 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!)





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#### DIVIDE 2-DIGIT & 3-DIGIT NUMBERS BY 2-DIGIT NUMBERS – CLUE 3

Discover an important clue by completing the division questions. Use your answers, including remainders, 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!)





## **DIVISION WORD PROBLEMS – CLUE 4**

Crack the code by answering the division word problems. Use your answers (numbers only) to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal a clue given by a witness from last night. Put the letter in every box that it matches your answer in (there may be more than one!)



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## **DIVIDE BY POWERS OF TEN – CLUE 5**



In the grid below you will find a number of statements collected from several creatures of the magical underworld, however, <u>only one of them is telling you the correct final clue</u>. Complete the division questions (write your answers as decimals), and then look for your in the statement boxes and cross out that box (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!

The guilty dragon belongs to The Dragons of the Veil league. He loves magic so much that he wants it to be released	The dragon causing the division wants the current dragon leader to fail so that he can take his place.	The dragon culprit is in The Mystic Faction and wants revenge on the other dragons for teasing him.	The dragon responsible for the splitting up of the Dragon Alliance wants revenge on The Mystic Faction for excluding him from a hunt.
everywhere. 84.23	79.07	5.8	9.9
It is one of the dragons in The Champion Chasers league trying to use magic to take over the Earth's surface.	You will find the dragon who ruined the Dragon Alliance in The Ancient Warriors league.	One of green dragons has wanted to become the new dragon leader for a long time.	The Dragons of the Veil have been angry with the current dragon leader, so one of them decided to cause a problem to challenge the leadership position.
0.56	0.1	0.5	0.781
One of The Ancient Warriors wants revenge on the other dragons for not all equally helping out with tasks.	The dragon at fault wants to allow his magical creature friends of the underworld to live in the sunshine on the Earth's surface.	The dragon that needs to be charged for dividing the dragon allies has red scales.	The Ancient Warriors league have a member that really wants to be the new dragon leader so that he can change some of the rules.
8.1	0.7	0.8	5.18

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## SOLVE THE MYSTERY: CASE OF THE DIVIDED DRAGONS

#### Detective



(your name)



Has discovered that the dragon responsible for breaking up the Dragon Alliance is:



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**ANSWER SHEET – CLUE 1** 

Discover an important clue by completing the division questions below, use the models to help work out the answer. Use your answers, including any remainders, to match and place the letters in the boxes to reveal the first clue. Put the letter in every box that it matches your answer in (there may be more than



### **ANSWER SHEET – CLUE 2**

Discover an important clue by completing the division questions. 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.



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### ANSWER SHEET – CLUE 3

Discover an important clue by completing the division questions. Use your answers, including remainders, 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!)

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At this point, all dragon rows remaining should have "Puffed a curse of conflict" only. So after solving this clue, cross out all elemental and arcane dragon types.

#### ANSWER SHEET – CLUE 4

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### ANSWER SHEET- CLUE 5



Keep the dragon that belongs to the Mystic Faction and wants revenge. Cross out the rest. This should leave one dragon row remaining only. The dragon causing The dragon culprit is in The dragon responsible The guilty dragon The Mystic Faction and belongs to The Drago & Veil league magic the division wants the for the splitting up of the Drago Allian wants revenge e Mystic current fileader wants revenge on the other dragons for teasing to fail no. can take his place. Faction or exiding him him. so much that he wants from a hunt. it to be released everywhere. 84.23 79.07 5.8 9.9 It is one of the dragons One of green dragons The Dragons of the You will find the dragon has wanted to become in The Champion Veil have been angry who ruin I the Pagon Alliance i Ancient the new leader with the current Chase to trying to use to take dragon er, so one for a l Warriors league. of the dec ed to over the Earth's cause a problem to surface. challenge the leadership position. 0.56 0.5 0.1 0.781 The dra on at oult The dragon that needs The Ancie Warriors One of The Ancient Warns reven on e other to be wants to his for aber league have magica reace dividir sgon that really ants be the friends of the allies has red scales. dragons for not all new dragon leader so that underworld to live in equally helping out with he can change some of the the sunshine on the tasks. Earth's surface. rules. 8.1 0.7 5.18 0.8 0.7 10)7 0.56 100)56 <u>9.9</u> 100) 990 0.8 10 ) 8 0.5 100) 50 100 8,423 0.1 10)1 <u>5.18</u> 100) 518 79.07 100) 7,907

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On the answer sheets you will find a comment about what needs to be crossed off. Please refer to the color of the font and the color of the shaded rows to show which suspect has been crossed off from that clue. <u>MYSTERY ANSWER:</u> **MILIRTH THE CHALLENGER.** 



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