

THE MYSTERIOUS CASE OF THE MIXED UP SPEECH



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5 Reading Challenges

- Read five sections of The Mystery of the Mixed-Up Speech
- Uncover clues by answering parts of speech based questions
- Challenges are short
 - 🔍 1-2 Pages
 - 🔍 Each takes 10-15 minutes
- Decode the clues to eliminate each suspect.

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Mystery of the Mixed-Up Speech Clue #5

The Great Book of Speech has been mixed up, causing mayhem with Grammaropolis' word! To find a clue to this mystery, place the correct parts of speech labels on the categories of Nouns, Verbs, and Adjectives. Then, put the first letter of each word in the correct category. Then, use the clues to find the words. Then, use the words to find the suspect.

of Speech Label Choices:

ADVERBS PRONOUNS NOUNS VERBS ADJECTIVES

The Mystery of the Mixed-Up Speech Clue #4

Directions: The Great Book of Speech has been mixed up, causing mayhem with Grammaropolis' word! Too many adverbs are attaching themselves to verbs and causing chaos. To find a clue to this mystery, choose the best adverb to complete each sentence. Then, put the first letter of each word in the blanks below to show what Adverbly was doing instead of creating a word.

- Jenny's cat snoozed (lazily / coldly / enormously) in the warm sun.
- He copied the numbers (quickly / accurately / sloppily) so there was no form.
- Harrison visited the library (recently / speedily / adorably), so he read.
- The ballerina (clumsily / loudly / gracefully) danced across the stage to the audience clap.
- The hungry puppy (eagerly / shyly / fearfully) ran toward its food.
- Danielle cried (happily / miserably / normally) when she broke her heart.
- Mr. Walters approached the door (uncertainty / rapidly / lightly) to his house.
- Belinda (actively / instantly / rarely) goes out in the winter because it's cold.
- The waiter (nervously / accidentally / hurtfully) brought our food.
- Simone parked (legally / swiftly / boldly) in the proper parking spot.

Adverbly's Alibi:

Adverbly was creating a _____ (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9) (10) _____ on the brick wall of the newspaper office building.

The Mystery of the Mixed-Up Speech Clue #3

Directions: The Great Book of Speech has been mixed up, causing mayhem with Grammaropolis' word! The pronouns are taking over! To find a clue to this mystery, pick the sentence that has pronouns in it. Circle all the pronouns in that sentence. Then, put the key word associated with your choice of sentence on the lines next to the orchestra musicians' official statement about Princess Pronoun.

	Sentence A	Sentence B
1.	She washed her new car.	Mr. Binteras loves a h
Key Word		has
2.	Ms. Lexicon loves to read books.	His cute cat slept on
Key Word		didn't
3.	Harrison likes colorful things for fun.	They ate all of them
Key Word	act	do
4.	We knew it was a trap to the house.	Mr. Jackson bakes to
Key Word		well



Orchestra musician's official

The Mystery of the Mixed-Up Speech Clue #2

Directions: The Great Book of Speech has been mixed up, causing mayhem with Grammaropolis' word! The adjectives are multiplying! To find a clue to this mystery, sort the adjectives into the boxes according to which question they answer: to make the nouns they describe more specific. If Admiral Adjective's project is complete, then we can confirm his hands were too full with these adjectives to add more of them anywhere.

Adjectives

silver bracelet

five o'clock



The Mystery of the Mixed-Up Speech Clue #1

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Blank #	Choice A	Choice B	Choice C
1	crave	round	nice
2	happy	water	steal
3	inspires	who	she
4	tomorrow	live	food
5	horses	dies	sunshine
6	orange	sweets	proves
7	clothes	see	they
8	abducted	regularly	loose

Plug in the verbs from the chart to fill in the blanks below.

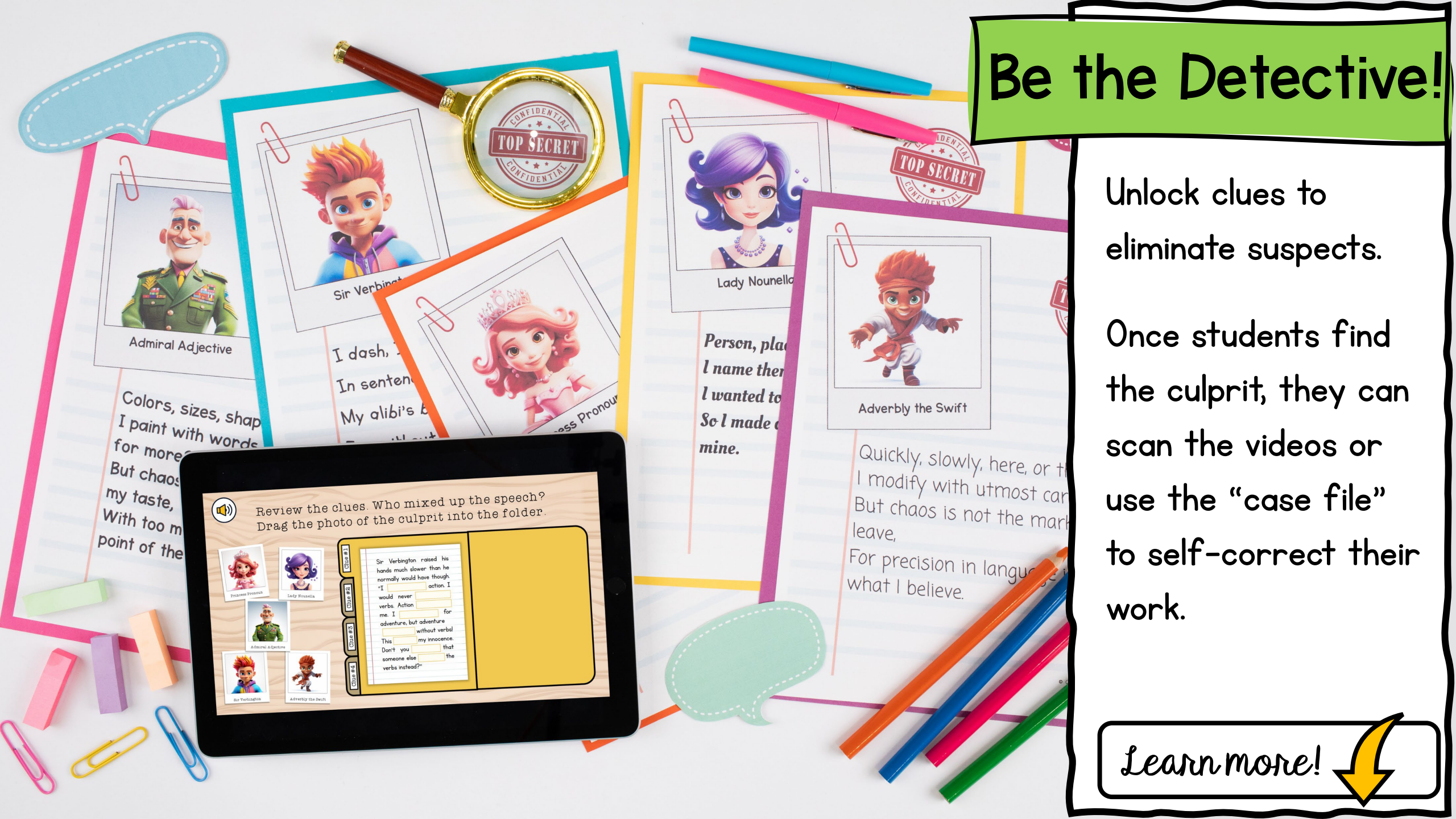
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Be the Detective!

Unlock clues to eliminate suspects.

Once students find the culprit, they can scan the videos or use the "case file" to self-correct their work.

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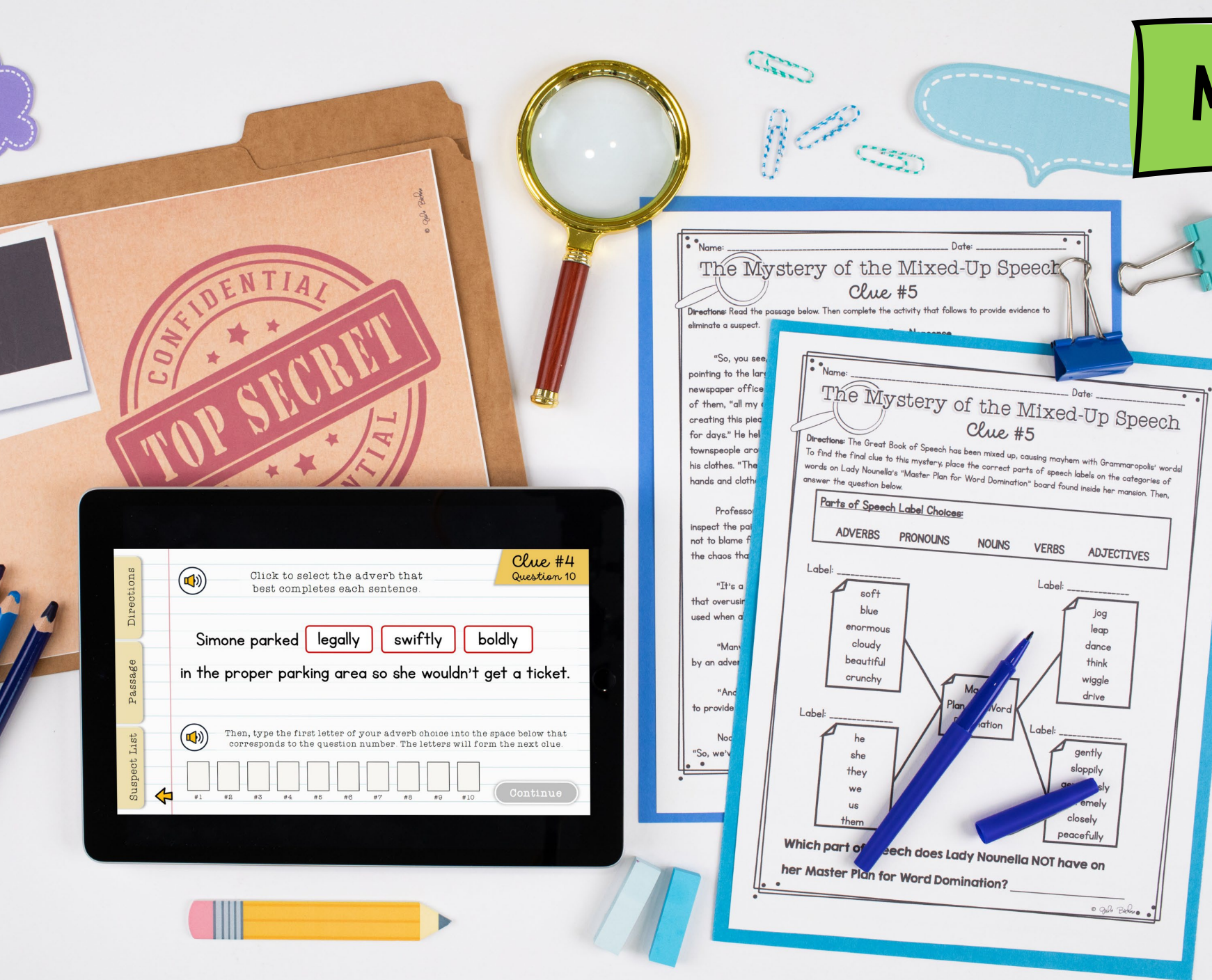


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Decode Clues

The Mystery

Directions: Read the passage below. Then eliminate a suspect.

Professor Wordsworth awoke start as his phone rang. He felt around his bedside table until his fingers closed around the phone. When he saw it was Mayor McWords, he sat upright in bed. For how fast he thought he'd moved, the bedroom should have spun around him, but it didn't. *Weird.*

"Hello, Mayor!" he said, trying to act as if he'd been awake for hours. "What do for you?"

"Meet me at the fountain at once."

"Yes, sir!"

Professor Wordsworth jumped out of bed in his usual bounce. He struggled through his morning

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Clue #1



Read the paragraph. Use the paragraph to eliminate a suspect on the "Suspect List" tab.

If the clue doesn't seem right, use the back arrows to check your answers for this activity.



Sir Verbington raised his hands much slower than he normally would have though. "I _____ action. I would never _____ verbs. Action _____ me. I _____ for adventure, but adventure _____ without verbs! This _____ my innocence. Don't you _____ that someone else _____ the verbs instead?"

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Eliminate Suspects



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