

VALENTINE'S DAY CRYPTOGRAMS

45 JOKES & RIDDLES: BEGINNER



SECRET MESSAGE PUZZLES

Secret Message Puzzles (or Cryptograms) are great for teaching problem solving that helps in math, science, and computer programming. And they're super fun, too! These 45 puzzles are all at the beginner level to help young kids learn the rudimentary skill of using a code. They'll also be practicing letter recognition and early reading skills.

You can do these together as a class, use them as a bell ringer or down-time activity, or give them as homework or extra credit.

Valentine's Day Jokes



Letter combinations

Problem solving

Code breaking

Perseverance



Secret Message

What do you call the world's smallest Valentine's Day card?

0

2 0 3 1 5 - 6 1 1 5 4 .

0=A 1=E 2=V 3=L

4=Y 5=N 6=T



Secret Message

What did the cucumber say to the pickle?

3 0 10 6 12 7 4 7

9 1 12 7 5 8 11 2 2

5 0 6 12 .

0=O 1=R 2=L 3=Y 4=N

5=T 6=M 7=A 8=D 9=G

10=U 11=I 12=E

45 Beginner Cryptograms

What's Included:

- 45 jokes in cryptogram form, each on a half sheet of paper
- The key is filled in at the bottom
- An answer key at the back
- Black and white and A4 (international) versions of all the pages

Top Row:

- What do you call the world's smallest Valentine's Day card?**
- What did the stamp say to the envelope on Valentine's Day?**

Bottom Row:

- What do you call the world's smallest Valentine's Day card?**
- What did the stamp say to the envelope on Valentine's Day?**

Keys (Bottom Row):

- 0=E 1=T 2= 3= 4=Y 5=L 6= 7= 8= 9=
- 0=A 1=M 2= 3= 4=V 5=U 6= 7= 8= 9=
- 0=E 1=Y 2=C 3=T 4=O 5=U 6=N 7= 8=M 9=S

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For older kids, or kids who are ready for more advanced puzzles, you can get these same riddles with only a few letters entered into the key, or a hard version with only a single letter filled in.

Kids will need to use their knowledge of common words, letter combinations, and patterns to help them solve the riddle. They'll need to look for clues in the length of the words and in guesses about what the phrase is likely to be. It's a wonderful mix of pattern recognition, spelling, problem solving, and even computer science as they test out possible solutions to see if they work.

You can also create your own, custom puzzles on any topic using TheTripClip.com