

WHODUNIT DETECTIVE PUZZLE STUDIO

Detective Word Search

Volume 9

12 Printable Puzzles + Full Answer Key

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How To Play

- Find all the hidden detective words in the letter grid.
- Words can run across, down, diagonal, forwards or backwards.
- Circle each word you find. The word list is under the grid.
- Answers showing every word location are at the back.

Puzzle 1

Z	S	O	L	V	E	S	C	D	Z	Z	V
C	E	K	R	E	T	S	G	N	A	G	Y
A	S	C	O	D	M	O	T	I	V	E	E
M	E	L	G	O	N	V	K	A	C	Y	K
E	C	F	S	D	B	D	M	W	H	T	Z
R	R	C	G	G	V	E	U	R	A	L	I
A	E	F	V	K	N	H	T	X	S	I	A
T	T	H	Q	N	W	B	Y	O	E	U	R
M	A	G	N	I	F	I	E	R	N	G	R
S	O	Z	W	M	O	Z	T	J	J	X	E
M	T	T	N	E	C	O	N	N	I	N	S
G	I	D	K	A	W	A	E	B	Q	P	T

Find: NOTEBOOK, GUILTY, CHASE, MOTIVE, GANGSTER, ARREST, CAMERA, MAGNIFIER, SOLVE, KEY, SECRET, INNOCENT

Puzzle 2

T	E	B	A	K	F	O	V	B	N	J	W
H	W	E	Z	I	E	S	N	U	E	B	T
U	F	O	R	D	R	O	X	W	H	A	L
N	D	W	B	J	T	N	E	E	Q	N	S
D	C	Z	M	E	J	L	G	R	E	K	T
E	S	B	B	L	D	D	A	T	F	N	E
R	Z	O	L	T	I	L	A	V	E	O	P
R	O	E	U	R	G	C	S	C	V	S	G
K	C	N	B	R	X	K	O	O	I	O	I
X	T	L	U	O	P	N	H	W	P	A	M
E	R	B	J	Y	N	T	H	I	E	F	R
N	E	W	F	I	Y	B	U	R	N	K	G

Find: NOTEBOOK, SEIZE, THUNDER, INNOCENT, CELL, RUBY, THIEF, BRIDGE, JEWEL, BURGLAR, BANK, FOG

Puzzle 3

I	X	T	Z	J	U	C	C	G	A	Y	A
F	B	I	N	F	O	R	M	A	N	T	P
E	C	I	N	R	E	T	N	A	L	G	S
S	E	A	R	C	H	E	P	S	O	D	C
A	O	H	X	O	C	T	W	J	M	E	A
R	P	U	E	V	A	U	L	T	L	T	G
E	V	T	C	E	P	S	U	S	S	E	H
M	M	V	M	O	T	I	V	E	B	C	V
A	A	H	B	D	U	B	I	H	X	T	R
C	P	N	M	I	R	Z	R	I	M	I	Z
O	I	F	X	N	E	C	S	X	O	V	V
E	P	A	C	S	E	J	O	Q	Q	E	U

Find: DETECTIVE, ESCAPE, MOTIVE, LANTERN, SEIZE, INFORMANT, CAPTURE, SEARCH, SUSPECT, CAMERA, VAULT, MAP

Puzzle 4

A	Y	W	W	A	W	E	A	P	O	N	Z
Q	T	L	S	W	Q	E	L	E	T	O	H
J	O	D	C	N	T	R	W	L	N	U	B
Y	L	E	M	B	S	U	Q	G	N	M	C
E	P	T	Y	Q	I	D	F	U	M	O	R
C	U	E	S	E	E	Z	D	I	M	S	K
I	S	C	T	S	H	Q	T	P	W	N	K
F	H	T	E	G	J	C	A	Y	J	A	F
F	A	I	R	E	I	S	U	U	Z	R	A
O	D	V	Y	V	S	P	H	Y	Z	C	C
B	O	E	X	Y	V	D	T	R	A	I	L
D	W	W	B	U	R	G	L	A	R	A	C

Find: WEAPON, RANSOM, TRAIL, VICTIM, COMPASS, MYSTERY, BURGLAR, SHADOW, HEIST, DETECTIVE, HOTEL, OFFICE

Puzzle 5

I	Y	T	L	I	U	G	L	N	T	J	L
H	J	R	P	T	R	U	K	B	R	T	H
C	R	V	Y	T	L	J	B	N	U	R	C
R	M	I	F	U	G	K	B	N	A	E	N
A	M	A	X	O	H	R	N	Y	L	N	U
E	O	H	D	E	G	E	G	S	I	T	H
S	S	F	H	D	L	T	T	E	B	R	J
J	N	L	I	I	F	S	G	I	I	A	Z
Q	A	I	D	H	F	G	C	Z	U	P	B
E	R	E	D	F	O	N	U	E	F	R	U
O	T	N	E	F	G	A	X	O	Y	G	F
U	M	Q	N	J	R	G	W	Z	Q	D	C

Find: GUILTY, TUNNEL, ALIBI, HIDEOUT, RANSOM, PARTNER, SEARCH, GANGSTER, HUNCH, FOG, HIDDEN, SEIZE

Puzzle 6

X	F	Z	N	A	X	W	V	T	K	T	U
N	S	L	E	T	T	E	R	T	N	R	E
J	X	Q	L	E	D	G	E	R	A	A	U
N	N	M	C	W	J	H	L	W	B	I	E
E	V	I	T	C	E	T	E	D	X	L	A
L	H	I	R	R	T	Q	S	R	E	Q	W
Y	T	N	I	R	P	T	O	O	F	H	K
E	B	P	E	Y	M	B	J	O	L	J	O
K	H	T	U	R	T	Q	E	D	A	V	J
Y	P	X	Q	N	V	G	O	Y	Z	B	E
X	D	T	E	Z	I	E	S	U	O	X	D
Y	Q	E	K	L	E	T	O	H	H	I	Y

Find: TRUTH, LETTER, SEIZE, BANK, DOOR, DETECTIVE, SOLVE, KEY, HOTEL, LEDGER, TRAIL, FOOTPRINT

Puzzle 7

R	P	K	C	K	U	W	G	S	G	B	R
A	W	V	G	D	Y	B	O	W	M	U	G
I	J	G	C	D	X	R	E	D	X	M	E
N	N	R	K	J	E	C	V	Y	A	Y	N
T	H	B	P	W	U	R	I	P	M	H	G
I	I	A	O	D	J	L	C	X	Q	M	S
L	D	T	E	E	Y	L	T	V	B	O	Y
N	E	D	Z	B	Z	V	I	A	D	S	E
O	O	S	U	I	B	E	M	L	T	N	U
F	U	R	A	H	B	S	I	I	M	A	B
V	T	M	O	H	O	A	Y	B	P	R	L
L	E	W	E	J	C	C	G	I	M	Y	Q

Find: DEDUCE, TOWER, SHADOW, CHASE, RUBY, RAIN, VICTIM, ALIBI, RANSOM, HIDEOUT, CASE, JEWEL

Puzzle 8

W	E	A	P	O	N	P	V	F	E	V	B
Z	K	D	R	Z	K	Z	T	K	W	T	J
E	I	I	W	K	M	U	U	Z	U	G	B
V	Y	S	G	K	O	T	R	E	W	O	T
S	B	G	F	E	O	C	H	E	X	C	L
R	U	U	D	U	Z	E	V	P	E	P	T
A	R	I	U	Y	B	P	R	L	L	I	R
I	H	S	M	S	S	S	L	T	B	K	U
N	P	E	I	O	J	U	Q	G	G	B	T
O	D	W	L	G	E	S	G	M	D	D	H
H	P	V	C	Q	S	E	C	R	E	T	F
H	E	X	T	F	M	I	T	C	I	V	I

Find: SECRET, DISGUISE, RAIN, TOWER, VICTIM, CELL, WEAPON, TRUTH, RUBY, SUSPECT, SOLVE, HIDEOUT

Puzzle 9

I	N	N	O	C	E	N	T	L	G	A	Y
C	G	L	D	Q	S	O	E	J	T	R	T
M	G	S	I	T	S	T	Y	E	R	E	N
W	Y	A	V	G	T	Z	G	W	A	M	A
I	F	I	N	E	H	T	F	E	I	A	M
D	O	F	R	G	T	T	N	L	L	C	R
O	W	T	I	H	S	X	H	U	A	T	O
F	B	G	W	O	U	T	W	O	R	E	F
F	S	B	H	X	Z	N	E	K	U	T	N
I	F	I	J	X	C	E	C	R	D	S	I
C	X	F	L	A	L	I	E	H	P	V	E
E	F	I	N	G	E	R	P	R	I	N	T

Find: LIE, OFFICE, JEWEL, INNOCENT, HUNCH, LETTER, LIGHTHOUSE, INFORMANT, TRAIL, GANGSTER, FINGERPRINT, CAMERA

Puzzle 10

R	K	W	V	U	C	I	C	H	E	L	R
A	Q	P	C	I	N	I	A	R	T	F	L
I	K	Q	I	A	C	A	M	E	R	A	Z
N	Y	E	E	P	B	T	H	E	I	S	T
F	J	S	H	F	O	G	I	H	H	U	E
O	C	I	D	T	P	V	M	M	E	S	E
R	Y	U	K	K	H	D	Q	G	R	P	W
M	T	G	D	I	K	U	D	A	F	E	H
A	J	S	Z	J	T	I	N	B	G	C	M
N	U	I	F	P	R	S	G	D	F	T	S
T	S	D	J	B	O	A	P	B	E	F	L
E	L	P	I	M	F	E	I	H	T	R	A

Find: BRIDGE, INFORMANT, HEIST, THUNDER, RANSOM, VICTIM, CAMERA, FOG, SUSPECT, DISGUISE, THIEF, TRAIN

Puzzle 11

A	U	X	T	H	G	I	N	D	I	M	S
B	H	W	O	D	A	H	S	Y	A	G	Q
F	E	N	I	A	R	T	R	M	E	U	D
O	I	Q	Z	B	A	E	A	G	P	V	Y
X	S	I	J	T	B	G	S	V	E	B	W
X	T	Y	I	B	N	E	W	D	V	J	N
U	E	O	O	I	L	L	I	E	I	W	I
L	N	R	F	R	H	E	G	D	D	O	N
Y	D	I	A	H	F	B	D	H	E	D	B
T	E	E	E	G	D	I	R	B	N	N	G
R	P	R	A	N	U	A	Q	H	C	I	C
J	W	H	E	H	R	E	L	Z	E	W	A

Find: RAIN, WINDOW, LIE, BRIDGE, SHADOW, ROBBERY, HEIST, EVIDENCE, STATION, PEARL, MAGNIFIER, MIDNIGHT

Puzzle 12

Y	H	U	C	K	L	V	C	K	I	T	Y
K	T	N	E	A	A	A	Z	N	Z	E	I
N	U	W	L	R	P	B	W	T	I	S	V
A	E	K	L	T	J	G	O	H	F	U	M
B	L	E	U	A	U	G	W	B	B	O	O
I	S	R	L	I	N	A	V	A	U	H	R
S	E	H	L	L	C	N	A	M	R	T	I
E	F	T	E	O	K	G	S	T	G	H	R
I	Y	O	D	C	O	S	G	L	L	G	L
Z	V	O	V	K	V	T	O	U	A	I	N
E	I	F	X	D	J	E	Z	A	R	L	M
G	I	K	C	O	D	R	R	V	Y	J	P

Find: CAPTURE, GANGSTER, BURGLAR, LIGHTHOUSE, LOCK, GUILTY, CELL, SEIZE, DOCK, BANK, SLEUTH, VAULT

Answer Key

Puzzle 1

NOTEBOOK: row 9, column 10, diagonal up-left
GUILTY: row 9, column 11, up
CHASE: row 4, column 10, down
MOTIVE: row 3, column 6, across
GANGSTER: row 2, column 11, backwards
ARREST: row 7, column 12, down
CAMERA: row 2, column 1, down
MAGNIFIER: row 9, column 1, across
SOLVE: row 1, column 2, across
KEY: row 4, column 12, up
SECRET: row 3, column 2, down
INNOCENT: row 11, column 10, backwards

Puzzle 2

NOTEBOOK: row 2, column 8, diagonal down-left
SEIZE: row 2, column 7, backwards
THUNDER: row 1, column 1, down
INNOCENT: row 12, column 5, diagonal up-right
CELL: row 9, column 2, diagonal up-right
RUBY: row 12, column 9, backwards
THIEF: row 11, column 7, across
BRIDGE: row 9, column 4, diagonal up-right
JEWEL: row 1, column 11, diagonal down-left
BURGLAR: row 11, column 3, diagonal up-right
BANK: row 2, column 11, down
FOG: row 6, column 10, diagonal down-right

Puzzle 3

DETECTIVE: row 4, column 11, down
ESCAPE: row 12, column 6, backwards
MOTIVE: row 8, column 4, across
LANTERN: row 3, column 10, backwards
SEIZE: row 7, column 10, diagonal down-left
INFORMANT: row 2, column 3, across
CAPTURE: row 5, column 6, down

SEARCH: row 4, column 1, across

SUSPECT: row 7, column 9, backwards

CAMERA: row 10, column 1, up

VAULT: row 6, column 5, across

MAP: row 8, column 2, down

Answer Key (continued)

Puzzle 4

WEAPON: row 1, column 6, across

RANSOM: row 9, column 11, up

TRAIL: row 11, column 8, across

VICTIM: row 10, column 5, diagonal up-right

COMPASS: row 4, column 12, diagonal down-left

MYSTERY: row 4, column 4, down

BURGLAR: row 12, column 4, across

SHADOW: row 7, column 2, down

HEIST: row 7, column 6, up

DETECTIVE: row 3, column 3, down

HOTEL: row 2, column 12, backwards

OFFICE: row 10, column 1, up

Puzzle 5

GUILTY: row 1, column 7, backwards

TUNNEL: row 2, column 11, diagonal down-left

ALIBI: row 4, column 10, down

HIDEOUT: row 9, column 5, up

RANSOM: row 10, column 2, up

PARTNER: row 9, column 11, up

SEARCH: row 7, column 1, up

GANGSTER: row 12, column 7, up

HUNCH: row 6, column 12, up

FOG: row 9, column 6, down

HIDDEN: row 7, column 4, down

SEIZE: row 6, column 9, down

Puzzle 6

TRUTH: row 9, column 6, backwards

LETTER: row 2, column 3, across

SEIZE: row 11, column 8, backwards

BANK: row 4, column 10, up

DOOR: row 9, column 9, up

DETECTIVE: row 5, column 9, backwards

SOLVE: row 6, column 8, diagonal down-right

KEY: row 9, column 1, up

HOTEL: row 12, column 9, backwards

LEDGER: row 3, column 4, across

TRAIL: row 1, column 11, down

FOOTPRINT: row 7, column 10, backwards

Answer Key (continued)

Puzzle 7

DEDUCE: row 8, column 3, diagonal up-right
TOWER: row 7, column 3, diagonal up-right
SHADOW: row 6, column 12, diagonal up-left
CHASE: row 12, column 6, diagonal up-left
RUBY: row 10, column 3, diagonal up-right
RAIN: row 1, column 1, down
VICTIM: row 4, column 8, down
ALIBI: row 8, column 9, down
RANSOM: row 11, column 11, up
HIDEOUT: row 5, column 2, down
CASE: row 12, column 7, up
JEWEL: row 12, column 5, backwards

Puzzle 8

SECRET: row 11, column 6, across
DISGUISE: row 2, column 3, down
RAIN: row 6, column 1, down
TOWER: row 4, column 12, backwards
VICTIM: row 12, column 11, backwards
CELL: row 5, column 11, diagonal down-left
WEAPON: row 1, column 1, across
TRUTH: row 6, column 12, down
RUBY: row 7, column 2, up
SUSPECT: row 10, column 7, up
SOLVE: row 8, column 6, diagonal down-left
HIDEOUT: row 8, column 2, diagonal up-right

Puzzle 9

LIE: row 11, column 6, across
OFFICE: row 7, column 1, down
JEWEL: row 2, column 9, down
INNOCENT: row 1, column 1, across
HUNCH: row 7, column 5, diagonal down-right
LETTER: row 1, column 9, diagonal down-left
LIGHTHOUSE: row 2, column 3, diagonal down-right

INFORMANT: row 10, column 12, up

TRAIL: row 2, column 10, down

GANGSTER: row 3, column 2, diagonal down-right

FINGERPRINT: row 12, column 2, across

CAMERA: row 6, column 11, up

Answer Key (continued)

Puzzle 10

BRIDGE: row 11, column 5, diagonal up-right
INFORMANT: row 3, column 1, down
HEIST: row 4, column 8, across
THUNDER: row 6, column 5, diagonal down-right
RANSOM: row 7, column 10, diagonal down-left
VICTIM: row 1, column 4, diagonal down-right
CAMERA: row 3, column 6, across
FOG: row 5, column 5, across
SUSPECT: row 4, column 11, down
DISGUISE: row 11, column 3, up
THIEF: row 12, column 10, backwards
TRAIN: row 2, column 10, backwards

Puzzle 11

RAIN: row 3, column 6, backwards
WINDOW: row 12, column 11, up
LIE: row 7, column 7, across
BRIDGE: row 10, column 9, backwards
SHADOW: row 2, column 8, backwards
ROBBERY: row 8, column 3, diagonal up-right
HEIST: row 2, column 2, down
EVIDENCE: row 5, column 10, down
STATION: row 2, column 8, diagonal down-left
PEARL: row 11, column 2, diagonal up-right
MAGNIFIER: row 3, column 9, diagonal down-left
MIDNIGHT: row 1, column 11, backwards

Puzzle 12

CAPTURE: row 1, column 8, diagonal down-left
GANGSTER: row 5, column 7, down
BURGLAR: row 5, column 10, down
LIGHTHOUSE: row 11, column 11, up
LOCK: row 7, column 5, down
GUILTY: row 4, column 7, diagonal down-left
CELL: row 1, column 4, down

SEIZE: row 7, column 1, down

DOCK: row 12, column 6, backwards

BANK: row 5, column 1, up

SLEUTH: row 6, column 2, up

VAULT: row 12, column 9, up