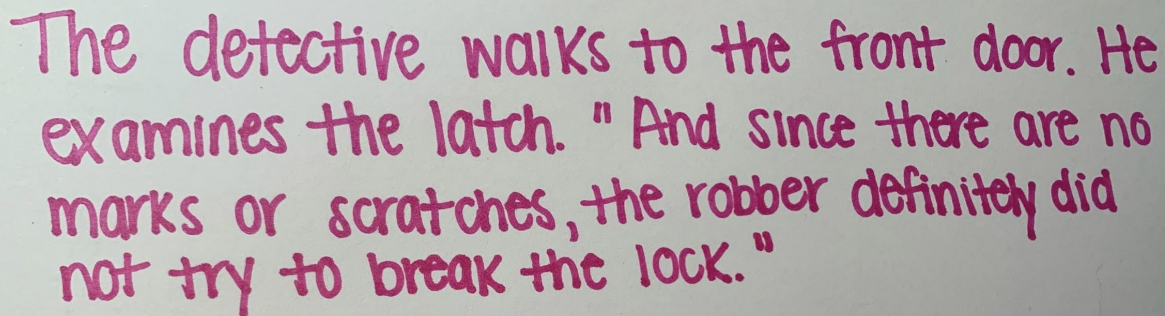


Step 4- Try out detective science!

Read the attached short detective story. Copy the same paragraph that is listed below. Then compare your handwriting with the handwriting in the photo below, finding similarities and differences. Finding details in handwriting can help detectives solve forgeries.



The detective walks to the front door. He examines the latch. "And since there are no marks or scratches, the robber definitely did not try to break the lock."

Short detective story:

https://www.englishforeveryone.org/PDFs/A_Mystery.pdf

Paragraph to copy:

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Step 5- Solve a Mystery!

Put your newly learned skills into action by solving this mystery!



When a Girl Scout employee goes to the office they realize that some cookies are missing. Karen and Jessica were the last one's there. The employee looks around the office and finds a note that fell on the ground. It is in morse code and reads: →

*hint: a dash means the end of a word



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Try to find out what the note reads to solve the cookie mystery

To see a morse code chart: <http://www.codebug.org.uk/learn/step/540/morse-code-alphabet/>

Junior Detective Badge Review

Think about these questions or talk about them with friends and family

What are some ways detectives solve mysteries?

Were you able to come up with your own morse code with friends or family?

How good were your observation skills when things were missing from your house?

How can you use these new detective skills?

Lastly, were you able to find out what happened to the cookies at the office?

