

Solve the riddle

Introduction

- **Level:** C1
- **Skills:** Reading
- **Topics:** Vocabulary and Grammar (history)
- **Merging subjects:** English Language, History, Problem-solving, critical thinking

The enigma

- **Keywords**

Students read a card with a riddle and have to guess the word. Then, they open the right piece of paper and read the secret message.

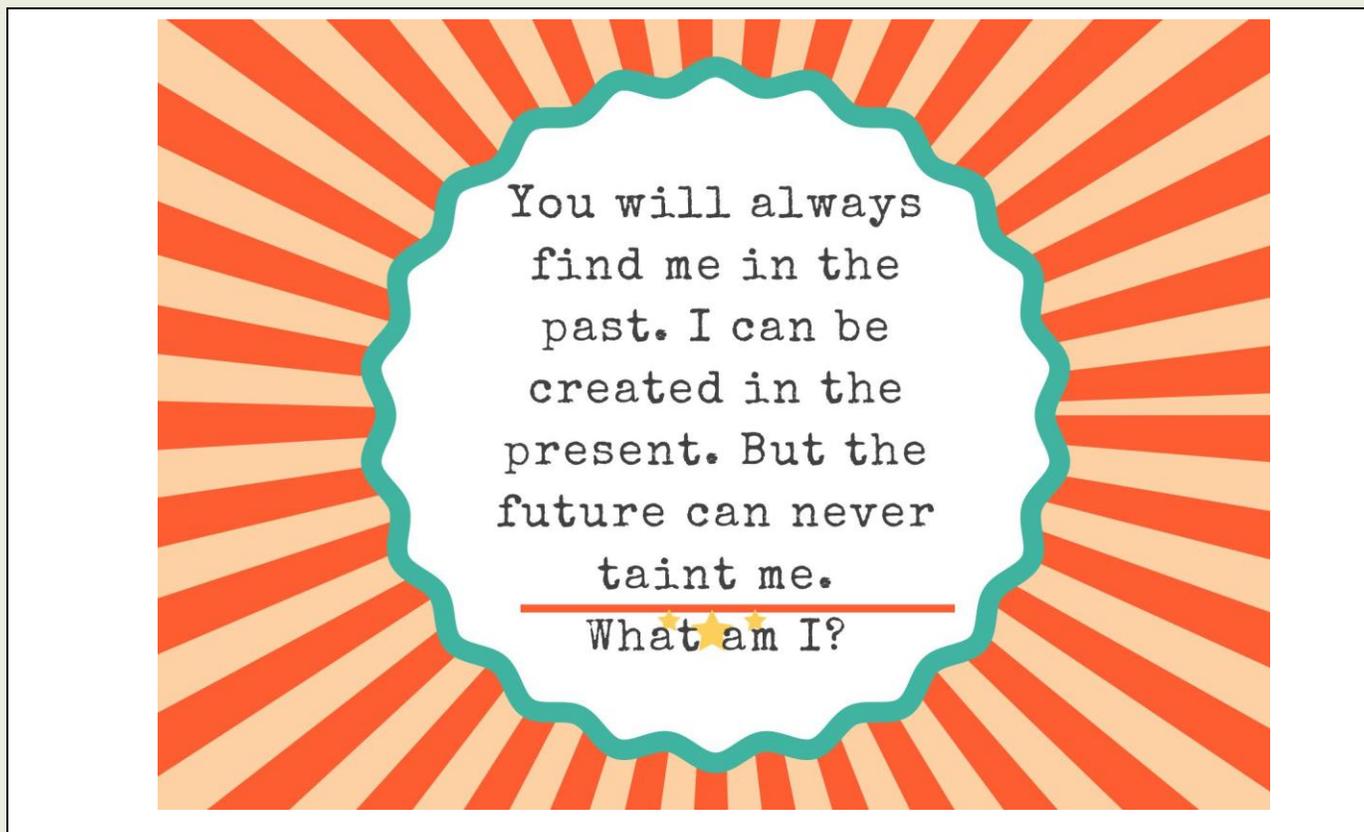
- **Toolbox**

Worksheet, plastic mirror, folded papers (one of them has the right secret message written on it)

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- **Description of the enigma**

Students read the card and try to guess the hidden word.



Solution: HISTORY

When they have guessed it, they have to open and read a folded paper - among few - next to the card. On the front page of every paper there is a different word. They have to open the paper that has the word "YROTSIH", i.e. the word 'history' in reverse order. In order to read the word, the students can use a plastic mirror that they will find next to the papers.



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Hints

If asked, the teacher/GM can provide students with the first letter in the word for help. In return, the team will have to accomplish an extra task to finish the ER or accept the penalty the teacher/GM will set.

The teacher can put a dictionary on an obvious place in the room that students can use in case they would like to look up any unknown words they have in the riddle.

It is a good idea for the teacher to write different messages on every folded paper. However, the right message will be written only on the right paper. In this way, students will have to follow all the steps to reach the clue, instead of simply opening all papers to find the one with the message.

More information

Possible restrictions

Students with a poor language level might have difficulty to accomplish the task.

References

- ✓ The card was created online at www.canva.com.
- ✓ <https://riddles.tips/riddle-115>

