## Breakout!

## Level 6.0, Story 1



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## ACROSS

1 to make certain
8 an organized search for a person, usually a criminal
10 small parts or pieces that are left over after the main part is gone
11 not discovered or not noticed
13 able to be made larger by filling with air
14 very bold or daring
15 not easily damaged or affected by something

## DOWN

2 moved over an area in a regular pattern to search for something
3 stepped onto a ship, plane, bus, or train
4 all the time
5 tools used for doing certain jobs or tasks
6 happened next as a result of something else
7 tall structures where people stand to view large areas
9 a way of entering or reaching something
12 a person being held somewhere, usually in a jail or prison

WORD BANK: access, audacious, boarded, constantly, ensued, ensure, implements, inflatable, inmate, manhunt, remnants, resistant, scanned, undetected, watchtowers

## Changes in Chocolate

## Level 6.0, Story 2



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## ACROSS

1 having spices and herbs added to change the flavor
7 changed and developed over time
10 periods of time equal to 100 years
11 eating or drinking
12 a mixture or blend of different ingredients
14 any form of money that people in an area use to buy things

## DOWN

2 from a very long time ago
3 people who make candies and other sweets
4 thought highly of something or thought something was worth a lot
5 any liquid for drinking
6 early forms of things that continue to develop
8 different forms of something
9 something that is different or does not fit in with other things
13 how something feels to touch

WORD BANK: ancient, beverage, centuries, concoction, confectioners, consuming, currency, evolved, exception, forerunners, seasoned, texture, valued, versions

## An Ellis Island Experience

Level 6.0, Story 3


## ACROSS

4 reached a decision about something
7 made someone leave a country
9 parts of the body that make fluids the body uses
10 came together again
13 delayed or held someone for a time
14 to show or to put into words
15 at first

## DOWN

1 people who move to a different country to live
2 a feeling of fear, pain, or worry
3 likely to be or likely to happen
5 extremely difficult
6 more than half of the total
7 to get off or leave a passenger vehicle
8 pulled up to a landing place
11 to communicate or make known
12 a ship or large boat that travels on water

WORD BANK: convey, deported, detained, determined, disembark, distress, docked, express, glands, immigrants, initially, majority, prospective, reunited, trying, vessel

## Capital Confectioner

Level 6.0, Story 4


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## ACROSS

1 relating to the money that is used to start a business or invest in something
9 a person who is learning a job from a skilled master
11 methods or ways of doing something
12 money that someone sets aside to help a person or organization
13 kept trying to do something even though it was difficult
14 made something real or true

## DOWN

2 determined, or unwilling to give up
3 able to make money or bring other good results
4 a candy or other sweet snack
5 important or well known
6 in the countryside or in a farming area, rather than in a city or suburb
7 making others feel hopeful or want to try hard
8 completely changing
10 stumbled or struggled helplessly

WORD BANK: actualized, apprentice, capital, confection, floundered, inspirational, persevered, persistent, profitable, prominent, rural, techniques, transforming, trust

## Math Meets Art

## Level 6.0, Story 5



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## ACROSS

1 to go against or to not be affected by something
2 the location and position of something in relation to other objects
4 connections or associations between things
7 relating to the sense of sight
8 having to do with how lines, angles, curves, and shapes relate to one another
11 qualities or characteristics of things, especially ones that make the thing what it is
12 understandings
13 a picture made by pressing ink onto paper

## DOWN

1 purposely or by choice
3 crossing, overlapping, or passing through something
5 a thing or idea that makes a person want to do something
6 the spaces that a thing can exist in
9 to show something using pictures, words, or symbols
10 sharp, smart, or showing keen judgment

WORD BANK: astute, defy, deliberately, depict, dimensions, geometric, insights, inspiration, intersecting, orientation, print, properties, relationships, visual

## Lake Monster Mystery

## Level 6.0, Story 6



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## ACROSS

3 the skin of an animal
6 caused someone to take action
9 said or stated something with confidence and force
10 living or growing in water
13 the fact or condition of being real, present, or alive
14 rejected, put off, or considered to be unimportant or untrue
15 large fish that have rows of hard plates on their skin instead of scales

## DOWN

1 with fondness or friendly feeling
2 went through or came out from
4 something that interrupts quiet, calmness, or order
5 meetings, often ones that are unexpected or unwanted
7 the noticeable parts of something
8 took place or happened
9 written or spoken descriptions of events
11 believable
12 thought that something might not be true or right

WORD BANK: accounts, affectionately, aquatic, asserted, broke, convincing, dismissed, disturbance, doubted, encounters, existence, features, hide, occurred, prompted, sturgeon

## Do My Eyes Deceive Me?

Level 6.0, Story 7


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## ACROSS

2 to become aware of something or to notice something because of your senses
3 a note that goes with a picture and helps explain it
10 to discover, usually something that was hidden or hard to notice
12 a connection or association between two or more things
13 the colors or patterns on an animal's body
14 studying closely in order to learn more

## DOWN

1 to fool, trick, or make someone believe something that isn't true
2 comes together in a small amount
4 however or even so
5 to understand or explain something
6 responses to an action or to a happening
7 present, existing, or happening
8 shifted, bent, or turned because of passing through something
9 the physical, working parts of something
11 quickly disappears

WORD BANK: analyzing, caption, detect, interpret, machinery, markings, mislead, nevertheless, occurring, perceive, pools, reactions, refracted, relationship, vanishes

## Strange Sights <br> Level 6.0, Story 8



## ACROSS

2 based on facts, evidence, and good reasoning
4 places, positions, or directions from which something can be viewed
6 makes someone interested in something
7 a dead body, usually the body of a human
8 information that is taken in and used to understand something
9 an imaginary thing or a made-up story
11 the stories, beliefs, and traditions of a group of people
12 a trick, or something meant to fool people
13 earlier or going before
14 animals raised on a farm

## DOWN

1 remarkable or beyond what is normal
3 to have an effect on something
5 from stories
6 gave evidence that proved or supported something
8 understands the meaning of something in a certain way
10 tricks, deceptions, or practical jokes

WORD BANK: angles, corpse, documented, draws, extraordinary, folklore, hoaxes, impact, input, interprets, legendary, livestock, myth, previous, ruse, valid

## Snake Show

## Level 6.0, Story 9



## ACROSS

1 to vomit or spit up
5 believable
7 a series of loops
8 beginning again
11 moving wildly and forcefully
12 moved one's body along the ground
13 pretending

## DOWN

2 to force out
3 forceful, bold, or willing to fight hard for a goal
4 hanging in a loose or relaxed way
6 completely still or making no movements
9 complicated or very detailed
10 dead or rotten flesh

WORD BANK: aggressive, carrion, coil, convincing, elaborate, expel, feigning, lolling, motionless, regurgitate, resuming, slithered, thrashing

## Controversial Custer

## Level 6.0, Story 10



## ACROSS

1 having acts and happenings that are interesting, memorable, or important
5 ideal or excellent to use as an example
10 a charm or a strong personal quality that attracts large numbers of people
12 starts or causes
13 different or not in agreement
14 raised someone's importance or rank

## DOWN

2 the act of forcing someone to leave a place
3 plans or sets of rules about how to do something
4 disagreement or debate between different viewpoints
6 ended in or resulted in
7 a viewpoint or attitude on a topic
8 special tasks given to a person or group
9 a student at a military school who is training to be an officer
11 to make a connection in the mind between things

WORD BANK: associate, cadet, charisma, conflicting, controversy, culminated, eventful, expulsion, missions, model, policies, position, promoted, sparks

## Tricky Tail

## Level 6.0, Story 11



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## ACROSS

2 nearly, close to, or about
5 a shade of color
6 draws someone's attention away from something
9 avoiding or escaping by using cleverness or skill
12 strong white tissue in the skeleton that is more
flexible than bone
13 an exact copy
14 bathing in heat or soaking up warmth
15 to use up

## DOWN

1 every now and then
3 following or chasing something
4 to remove or cast off a body part, usually when under attack
7 to put something out in the open
8 thrown away or disposed of
10 a body part that is connected to the main body or head of an animal
11 the bad parts of something that is otherwise good
13 no longer connected

WORD BANK: appendage, approximately, autotomize, basking, cartilage, detached, discarded, distracts, drawbacks, duplicate, eluding, expend, expose, hue, periodically, pursuing

## A Battle Won-A War Lost

## Level 6.0, Story 12



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## ACROSS

2 correct about what will happen in the future
3 killed or destroyed in large numbers
6 a large number
7 brought back into existence or use
8 people who explore an area for precious minerals or oil
10 broke a rule, law, or agreement
12 a written agreement between two or more nations
13 better than another
14 getting larger or rising to a higher level

## DOWN

1 periods of 10 years
4 filling very quickly with too much or too many of something
5 a feeling of suspense or worry about how something will turn out
7 a piece of land set aside for a certain group
9 difficult, unsteady, or uncertain
11 refusing to let a person have something that the person has a right to

WORD BANK: decades, decimated, denying, flooding, mounting, multitude, prophetic, prospectors, reservation, restored, rocky, superior, tension, treaty, violated

## Mine Mystery

## Level 6.0, Story 13



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## ACROSS

6 said or stated something with confidence and force
7 difficult to catch or find
11 came to a place in large numbers
12 an area of ground or land
13 people who explore an area for precious minerals or oil
15 written or spoken descriptions of events

## DOWN

1 very large
2 something that causes a certain action
3 attracted or brought in
4 long or difficult searches
5 a hidden supply
8 a person who moves to a different country to live
9 according to claims or reports, but not proven
10 the right or ability to use something
14 rock or earth from which a valuable metal can be removed

WORD BANK: access, accounts, allegedly, asserted, cache, elusive, flocked, immense, immigrant, impetus, lured, ore, prospectors, quests, terrain

## The Z-Boys

## Level 6.0, Story 14



## ACROSS

2 someone or something that takes the place of another
4 very bad or serious
7 improved, recovered, or went back to a good condition
9 people who take part in a race or competition
11 a long period of time with no rain
12 outside or apart from the current situation
13 to adjust, vary, or change

## DOWN

1 to bring back to life or to energize
3 fell very quickly and suddenly
4 not enough or hard to get
5 more general, broader, or including more members
6 sold for profit and available at stores
8 things that cause something to happen or make a difference in the results
10 to become very good or skilled at doing something

WORD BANK: alter, commercial, drought, entrants, external, factors, greater, master, plummeted, rebounded, revive, scarce, severe, substitute

## Enormous Explosion

## Level 6.0, Story 15



## ACROSS

1 objects that move through space and are made of ice, frozen gas, and dust
4 burned the outside of something
6 believable or likely but not certain
9 far away from other things
10 people who point out the good and bad parts of something
13 strong, sharp, or extreme
14 the amount of harm or difficulty that something causes

## DOWN

2 possible sequences of events
3 a large number or amount that is more than enough
4 later or happening after
5 usually or most of the time
7 a piece of rock or metal that has fallen to Earth from outer space
8 came into being
11 something that occurs or takes place
12 a large gathering or collection of something

WORD BANK: comets, critics, emerged, generally, incident, intense, mass, meteorite, plausible, plethora, remote, scenarios, scorched, subsequent, toll

## Surfing on the Snow

## Level 6.0, Story 16



## ACROSS

1 first or beginning
5 the act of producing or making something
7 called or named
10 to change and develop over time, often in a way that makes something better
12 gave legal permission to sell a certain thing or item
13 offered for sale
14 in particular
16 making small changes to something so that it works better or fits better

## DOWN

2 daring or bravery
3 mechanical devices or gadgets
4 for profit and available at stores
6 earned a legal right to be the only person or company to make or sell something
8 important or well known
9 the front end of a vehicle, especially one that is pointed
11 the first time a person or thing performs or appears in public
15 something that is popular for a short time

WORD BANK: adjusting, commercially, contraptions, debut, dubbed, evolve, fad, initial, licensed, marketed, nerve, nose, patented, production, prominent, specifically

## Writing Out Slavery <br> Level 6.0, Story 17



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## ACROSS

2 parts of a series, where the parts are made available one at a time
4 talks about or mentions
5 making someone want to do a certain thing
8 opposing
11 became more serious or extreme
12 made something a rule or law
14 the way people in a certain community or place make and use money
15 based on reality but with imaginary details added in

## DOWN

1 a group of things or events that occur in order or follow one another
3 a discussion or argument in which people give different ideas about something
6 a person who wants to put an end to an activity
7 awful or hateful
9 based on things people have said or written
10 convinced or won over
13 determination or firmness of purpose

WORD BANK: abolitionist, accursed, contradictory, debate, economy, fictionalized, galvanizing, installments, intensified, persuaded, prescribed, refers, reportedly, resolve, series

## Watch Your Step!

## Level 6.0, Story 18



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## ACROSS

2 the ability to get the result you want
4 near, of, or on the back
6 comfort in a time of pain or sadness
11 very intense or extreme in a bad way
12 a similarity, likeness, or sameness
13 lives in a certain place
14 to listen or pay attention to something
15 having the necessary things to do a certain activity

## DOWN

1 a way of hiding something by making it look like the things around it
3 a small part of a whole
5 to tell one thing apart from another
7 in a way that is meant for attacking or causing harm
8 just right for the person, thing, or situation
9 to make a hole in something
10 dangerous or threatening

WORD BANK: appropriate, camouflage, consolation, distinguish, dorsal, effectiveness, equipped, excruciating, fraction, heed, inhabits, menacing, offensively, pierce, resemblance

## A Poet for Life

## Level 6.0, Story 19



## ACROSS

1 took part in an activity
4 looked for or tried to get
6 uncovered, put out in the open, or made public
9 showed or made known
10 a written or spoken description of an event
11 the state of being alone
12 the act of spending time with friends and other people for enjoyment
13 showing something using pictures, words, or symbols
14 put things together to make a poem, song, or other work of art

WORD BANK: accolades, account, appointed, composed, depicting, exposed, participated, peers, prestigious, revealed, socializing, solitude, sought, tribute, verse

## The Sea Lamprey

Level 6.0, Story 20


## ACROSS

1 thickening or hardening from a liquid into a solid
4 moving out of the sea to breed in fresh water
7 laying or fertilizing eggs in the water
12 decayed or broken-down parts from plants and animals
13 an animal or plant that another animal or plant lives on
15 firmly settled and stable
16 a plant or animal living on or in another living thing

## DOWN

2 a newly hatched and often wormlike form of certain animals
3 a rapid change that happens when a larva turns into an adult
5 in a large or noticeable way
6 native to a place
8 streams or rivers that flow into larger rivers or other bodies of water
9 from earliest times, or like an early form of something
10 provides the food needed to live
11 moves or travels from one area to another area
14 the watery liquid made by glands in the mouth

WORD BANK: anadromous, clotting, detritus, established, host, indigenous, larva, metamorphosis, migrates, nourishes, parasite, primitive, saliva, significantly, spawning, tributaries

## Día de los Muertos

## Level 6.0, Story 21



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## ACROSS

1 to agree with and match
4 periods of watchfulness, observation, or staying awake
8 to remember and tell of past experiences
9 the true meaning or intent of something
12 the parts that make up a whole
13 native to a place
14 a main idea or subject that a group of things has in common

## DOWN

2 makes certain
3 sad, gloomy, or unhealthy
5 the act of looking at a situation and making a judgment about it
6 the act of celebrating a holiday or some other custom
7 people who have died
10 forced upon or established with authority
11 something that is inherited or passed down from earlier generations

WORD BANK: assessment, coincide, components, deceased, ensures, heritage, imposed, indigenous, morbid, observance, reminisce, spirit, theme, vigils

## Tragedy at Mount Tambora <br> Level 6.0, Story 22



## ACROSS

4 started or set off
9 extremely destructive
10 continued, stayed, or was slow to leave
11 tools or other objects that people made long ago
12 kept from being harmed, damaged, or changed

## DOWN

1 the air or gases that surround a planet, moon, or star
2 small pieces or amounts of things
3 swelled or grew rapidly
5 uncovering by digging
6 completely surrounded something
7 significant, or able to be noticed and appreciated
8 about to happen

WORD BANK: artifacts, atmosphere, billowed, devastating, engulfed, excavating, imminent, lingered, measurable, particles, preserved, triggered

## History of a Holiday

Level 6.0, Story 23


## ACROSS

4 cases for protecting and carrying lights
7 cakes and other baked foods made from dough
8 in keeping with the way things are normally or usually done
10 large fires built outdoors, often for warmth or celebration
12 fought or disagreed
13 came together or united
14 activities that have meaning and are done in a certain way

## DOWN

1 the act of celebrating a holiday or some other custom
2 about, around, or close to, but not exactly
3 a time for picking and gathering crops
5 the beliefs, skills, arts, tools, traditions, and ways of life of different groups of people
6 predictions or beliefs about what will happen in the future
9 careful or aware
11 gradually vanished or disappeared

WORD BANK: bonfires, clashed, cultures, customary, faded, harvest, lanterns, merged, mindful, observance, pastries, prophecies, rituals, roughly

## The Year Without a Summer

Level 6.0, Story 24


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## ACROSS

1 a layer of ice crystals that cover a surface
6 short periods, often having to do with weather
8 the layer of Earth's atmosphere that lies 12 to 31 miles above Earth's surface
12 the usual weather conditions of a place
13 the amount of something that was produced
14 more than enough

## DOWN

2 new plants that are just beginning to grow from seeds 3 a big food shortage that causes many people to starve
4 seemed close to happening, as a scary event
5 overpowered, defeated, or ruined something
6 inspected or carefully examined
7 to rescue or save from damage or ruin
9 a feeling of fear or concern
10 previous or coming before something else
11 not likely to change from an expected pattern

WORD BANK: alarm, climate, crushed, famine, frost, loomed, plentiful, preceding, salvage, snaps, sprouts, stable, stratosphere, surveyed, yield

