

Two-Minute Mysteries

Grades 6–8 • 10 min • 1+ students

WHAT YOU NEED

- A short mystery scenario (a few are included in the printable kit)

SETUP

Pick one short mystery scenario to read aloud — a strange but logically explainable situation with a twist.

HOW TO RUN IT

1. Read the mystery scenario aloud once, clearly and without extra hints.
2. Students take turns asking yes/no questions to gather more information ("did it happen outside?", "was another person involved?").
3. Keep track of confirmed facts on the board as clues come in.
4. When someone thinks they've solved it, they explain their full theory — confirm whether it matches the real explanation.

VARIATIONS

- Split into small groups each working the same mystery, competing to solve it with the fewest questions.
- Have students write their own two-minute mystery to challenge the class with next time.