

WHODUNIT DETECTIVE PUZZLE STUDIO

# Detective Word Search

Volume 8

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

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

Find: DEDUCE, HOTEL, SEARCH, MAGNIFIER, ALIBI, SEIZE, LETTER, STATION, SOLVE, THIEF, FOG, KEY

## Puzzle 2

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

Find: DISGUISE, INNOCENT, RANSOM, ROBBERY, ARREST, SEIZE, MYSTERY, COMPASS, OFFICE, THIEF, CLUE, DEDUCE

### Puzzle 3

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

Find: RANSOM, LANTERN, GUILTY, FINGERPRINT, STATION, DOOR, SOLVE, CHASE, RAIN, DOCK, CELL, INNOCENT

# Puzzle 4

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

Find: THIEF, LETTER, PARTNER, LEDGER, RAIN, SEARCH, KEY, VICTIM, BRIDGE, MIDNIGHT, TRUTH, HOTEL

## Puzzle 5

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

Find: CLUE, JUSTICE, MYSTERY, NOTEBOOK, DISGUISE, TRAIN, ROBBERY, DOOR, TRAIL, VAULT, FINGERPRINT, DETECTIVE

## Puzzle 6

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

Find: THIEF, LIE, KEY, DETECTIVE, ARREST, CRIME, DOSSIER, CHIEF, CLUE, ESCAPE, SEARCH, HEIST

## Puzzle 7

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

Find: TRAIN, HOTEL, LIE, JUSTICE, HUNCH, KEY, CHIEF, CELL, ROBBERY, LETTER, SHADOW, ARREST

## Puzzle 8

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

Find: FOG, DISGUISE, LEDGER, VICTIM, LOCK, MAGNIFIER, CRIME, ROBBERY, KEY, DOCK, CASE, DOOR

# Puzzle 9

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

Find: SLEUTH, ALIBI, DOSSIER, DETECTIVE, DOCK, CAMERA, GUILTY, INNOCENT, HOTEL, THUNDER, HEIST, LOCK

# Puzzle 10

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

Find: MOTIVE, TRUTH, MAP, MANSION, RANSOM, HUNCH, PEARL, TUNNEL, LEDGER, HIDDEN, ARREST, CHASE

# Puzzle 11

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

Find: DEDUCE, VAULT, TRAIL, THIEF, TOWER, FOG, WITNESS, SOLVE, LIE, MANSION, OFFICE, CAMERA

## Puzzle 12

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

Find: VICTIM, DOSSIER, CLUE, SEARCH, ROBBERY, EVIDENCE, HOTEL, SEIZE, BURGLAR, BRIDGE, MANSION, HUNCH

## Answer Key

### Puzzle 1

DEDUCE: row 12, column 12, backwards  
HOTEL: row 5, column 3, diagonal down-right  
SEARCH: row 10, column 5, across  
MAGNIFIER: row 1, column 8, down  
ALIBI: row 11, column 3, across  
SEIZE: row 11, column 1, up  
LETTER: row 11, column 11, up  
STATION: row 12, column 2, up  
SOLVE: row 5, column 1, up  
THIEF: row 2, column 3, diagonal down-right  
FOG: row 4, column 7, diagonal up-left  
KEY: row 6, column 9, down

### Puzzle 2

DISGUISE: row 10, column 12, backwards  
INNOCENT: row 2, column 10, diagonal down-left  
RANSOM: row 4, column 6, diagonal down-left  
ROBBERY: row 6, column 7, diagonal down-left  
ARREST: row 9, column 9, up  
SEIZE: row 2, column 12, down  
MYSTERY: row 1, column 3, across  
COMPASS: row 12, column 10, backwards  
OFFICE: row 11, column 11, backwards  
THIEF: row 9, column 2, diagonal up-right  
CLUE: row 5, column 1, up  
DEDUCE: row 2, column 6, diagonal down-left

### Puzzle 3

RANSOM: row 6, column 10, down  
LANTERN: row 8, column 6, diagonal up-right  
GUILTY: row 10, column 3, across  
FINGERPRINT: row 1, column 1, down  
STATION: row 2, column 2, down  
DOOR: row 12, column 9, across  
SOLVE: row 4, column 9, diagonal down-left

CHASE: row 4, column 4, across  
RAIN: row 3, column 9, backwards  
DOCK: row 6, column 11, down  
CELL: row 12, column 3, across  
INNOCENT: row 8, column 3, up

## Answer Key (continued)

### Puzzle 4

THIEF: row 5, column 4, down  
LETTER: row 11, column 7, across  
PARTNER: row 6, column 9, diagonal down-left  
LEDGER: row 3, column 11, backwards  
RAIN: row 5, column 11, diagonal down-left  
SEARCH: row 3, column 2, down  
KEY: row 8, column 3, down  
VICTIM: row 7, column 12, up  
BRIDGE: row 11, column 6, diagonal up-right  
MIDNIGHT: row 12, column 1, up  
TRUTH: row 2, column 11, backwards  
HOTEL: row 1, column 2, across

### Puzzle 5

CLUE: row 11, column 9, diagonal up-left  
JUSTICE: row 1, column 3, diagonal down-right  
MYSTERY: row 3, column 4, diagonal down-right  
NOTEBOOK: row 12, column 4, across  
DISGUISE: row 12, column 3, up  
TRAIN: row 4, column 6, across  
ROBBERY: row 3, column 12, backwards  
DOOR: row 4, column 3, diagonal down-right  
TRAIL: row 5, column 5, diagonal up-left  
VAULT: row 6, column 1, down  
FINGERPRINT: (placement skipped)  
DETECTIVE: row 4, column 2, down

### Puzzle 6

THIEF: row 11, column 5, diagonal up-right  
LIE: row 12, column 11, up  
KEY: row 8, column 4, up  
DETECTIVE: row 9, column 2, up  
ARREST: row 2, column 5, down  
CRIME: row 1, column 10, backwards  
DOSSIER: row 11, column 3, diagonal up-right

CHIEF: row 12, column 4, across

CLUE: row 12, column 1, up

ESCAPE: row 8, column 11, up

SEARCH: row 6, column 1, up

HEIST: row 3, column 6, across

## **Answer Key (continued)**

### **Puzzle 7**

TRAIN: row 6, column 8, backwards  
HOTEL: row 4, column 11, backwards  
LIE: row 11, column 11, diagonal up-left  
JUSTICE: row 5, column 1, across  
HUNCH: row 7, column 8, across  
KEY: row 6, column 3, down  
CHIEF: row 12, column 4, across  
CELL: row 11, column 10, backwards  
ROBBERY: row 2, column 7, backwards  
LETTER: row 3, column 6, backwards  
SHADOW: row 9, column 7, backwards  
ARREST: row 10, column 7, backwards

### **Puzzle 8**

FOG: row 5, column 3, backwards  
DISGUISE: row 6, column 9, backwards  
LEDGER: row 7, column 6, backwards  
VICTIM: row 6, column 11, diagonal up-left  
LOCK: row 8, column 7, across  
MAGNIFIER: row 1, column 12, down  
CRIME: row 10, column 2, across  
ROBBERY: row 9, column 4, across  
KEY: row 8, column 10, up  
DOCK: row 1, column 2, diagonal down-right  
CASE: row 4, column 6, diagonal up-right  
DOOR: row 9, column 1, down

### **Puzzle 9**

SLEUTH: row 6, column 5, diagonal down-right  
ALIBI: row 7, column 2, down  
DOSSIER: row 2, column 9, down  
DETECTIVE: row 4, column 11, down  
DOCK: row 5, column 5, backwards  
CAMERA: row 11, column 3, up  
GUILTY: row 11, column 9, backwards

INNOCENT: row 2, column 4, diagonal down-right

HOTEL: row 1, column 8, across

THUNDER: row 2, column 12, down

HEIST: row 2, column 6, backwards

LOCK: row 6, column 4, up

## **Answer Key (continued)**

### **Puzzle 10**

MOTIVE: row 4, column 11, diagonal down-left

TRUTH: row 9, column 7, diagonal up-right

MAP: row 11, column 6, diagonal up-right

MANSION: row 12, column 4, up

RANSOM: row 9, column 12, up

HUNCH: row 5, column 3, across

PEARL: row 12, column 2, up

TUNNEL: row 6, column 6, backwards

LEDGER: row 2, column 11, backwards

HIDDEN: row 3, column 6, backwards

ARREST: row 12, column 1, up

CHASE: row 12, column 10, up

### **Puzzle 11**

DEDUCE: row 12, column 8, diagonal up-left

VAULT: row 5, column 2, diagonal down-right

TRAIL: row 11, column 5, backwards

THIEF: row 5, column 6, diagonal down-right

TOWER: row 8, column 7, diagonal up-left

FOG: row 5, column 10, backwards

WITNESS: row 10, column 11, up

SOLVE: row 1, column 2, across

LIE: row 7, column 2, diagonal down-right

MANSION: row 3, column 11, backwards

OFFICE: row 2, column 2, across

CAMERA: row 3, column 1, diagonal down-right

### **Puzzle 12**

VICTIM: row 10, column 10, backwards

DOSSIER: row 10, column 3, diagonal up-right

CLUE: row 7, column 7, diagonal down-left

SEARCH: row 6, column 6, up

ROBBERY: row 2, column 2, down

EVIDENCE: row 12, column 3, across

HOTEL: row 3, column 11, backwards

SEIZE: row 7, column 1, up

BURGLAR: row 11, column 6, across

BRIDGE: row 3, column 12, down

MANSION: row 8, column 4, up

HUNCH: row 7, column 11, up