CHINESE CRACKING THE CODE

Radical hunt (Years 3-8)

Students hunt for hidden characters in different settings and learn how the radical side of Chinese characters contribute to their meaning.

Features include:

characters used in this series appear in the Character catalogue.

Students:

- notice that the meaning of radicals contributes to the meaning of compound characters
- identify radicals that contribute to the meaning of compound characters
- find Chinese characters hidden near the things they represent and notice they are compound characters that share a common radical.



Radical hunt: island hunt (Chinese) L470– Years 3–4

Students explore Ibis Island and search for Chinese compound characters that share a common radical. They discover the related meanings of the characters in order to see the rare crested ibis. Students use a character detector to roll over the spot where a character is hidden to find its sound and meaning. Each location has a common radical. Students find all 20 characters at four locations and sort the characters according to their radicals.



Radical hunt: school hunt (Chinese)

L471 - Years 5-8

Students to explore four locations within a school. Using a camera tool, students engage in an online scavenger hunt for Chinese characters encountering unique vocabulary to match each location. The vocabulary selected highlights certain radicals that form the characters, enabling students to understand the relationship between parts of Chinese characters and their meanings.