



Tangram

Special Activity

Osmo GENIUS

Mystery

MONTH

Play Mysterious Manor!

This month's special themed world contains 6 new puzzles for you to solve. Can you tell what they are?



To get started, open Osmo Tangram and then tap on this special button.

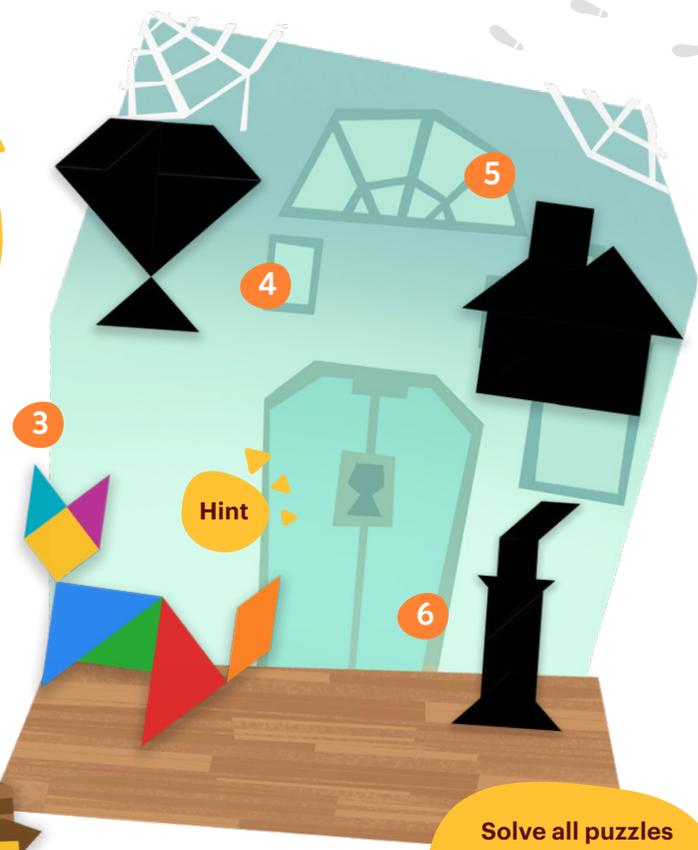


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Solve all puzzles to unlock Special Treasures!

Genius Spotlight: Mildred Benson



What do "The Secret of the Old Clock," "The Hidden Staircase," and "The Mystery at Lilac Inn" have in common? They're all titles of *Nancy Drew* books, written by Mildred Benson!

Mildred went to school in Iowa for English and journalism. She worked at different newspapers before applying for a job at a book publishing firm. There, Mildred's job was to take basic

story ideas and turn them into 200-page children's books.

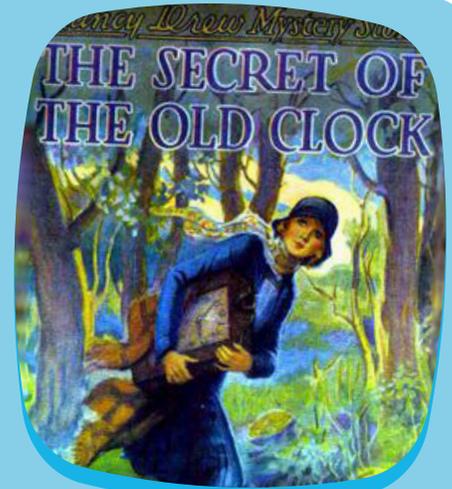
One of her first assignments was to write "The Secret of the Old Clock," about the adventures of a teen sleuth named *Nancy Drew*. Mildred would write 22 more books in this series, including the first 7, but her identity as the author wasn't made public for almost 50 years!

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More about: Mildred Benson

The *Nancy Drew* books — 56 in total — were written by various authors under the pen name Carolyn Keene. The publisher used pen names (or “pseudonyms”) because he thought they were more successful. That might have been true; more than 80 million copies of the *Nancy Drew* book series have been sold.

As the original author, many people credit Mildred for creating the spunky, daring personality that made *Nancy Drew* such a likeable character. Readers everywhere enjoyed following along on her amateur investigations, solving mysteries alongside her.



The Secret of the Old Clock is the first volume in the Nancy Drew Mystery Stories series written under the pseudonym Carolyn Keene.

Experiment: Invisible Ink

Writing secret messages is fun! To try it at home, gather these materials:

- ½ a lemon (or ½ cup milk)
- Cotton swab or paintbrush
- White paper
- Cup
- Heat source: lamp, iron, or hair dryer



Squeeze the lemon (or pour the milk) into your cup.



Dip your cotton swab or paintbrush into the liquid.



Using the wet swab/brush, draw a picture or write a message on the piece of paper.



Ask a grownup to heat the paper up. This can be done carefully with a hair dryer, iron (between two pieces of paper) or a non-LED lamp.

When it's heated, the liquid goes through a chemical process called “oxidation.” This turns the liquid brown, revealing your message!

Check with an adult before using household items.