The Mystery of the Rainbow Gold

It was early on Sunday morning when the leprechauns realised that the pot of gold had been taken from the end of their rainbow. The leprechaun that had been guarding the rainbow overnight said that he had seen a cheeky goblin sneaking around.

As the Detective Chief Inspector in Rainbow Valley, it is your job to discover which goblin has taken the gold. You have taken down names and descriptions of all 20 goblins in Rainbow Valley. There are five important clues that have been discovered.

To crack the case, you will need to solve each clue and check the information with the list of names. Will you be able to solve the mystery and find out who took the gold, before the sun sets and the rainbow disappears forever?

Good luck!

visit twinkl.com

Goblin Descriptions

Name of Goblin	Age	Male or Female?	Job	Skin Colour	Eye Colour
Ailee	7	female	shop owner	green	pink
Anoop	5	male	shop owner	blue	red
Aram	9	male	shop owner	orange	white
Arthur	5	male	cook	green	red
Bart	5	male	cook	yellow	red
Borka	5	female	artist	green	green
Bright	5	female	cook	blue	red
Brook	5	female	mechanic	yellow	red
Gail	7	female	mechanic	yellow	gold
Joan	8	female	mechanic	green	white
Lark	5	male	shop owner	blue	green
Lee	9	male	artist	blue	red
Noak	3	male	cook	blue	green
Sisee	7	female	cook	blue	gold
Surta	6	female	shop owner	orange	red
Tait	3	female	cook	yellow	red
Victor	4	male	mechanic	orange	green
Wright	5	male	shop owner	yellow	blue
Zaid	5	male	shop owner	blue	pink
Zuree	4	female	shop owner	green	blue

The cheeky goblin who took the gold must have been _____.

visit twinkl.com

The 'ee' Digraph Note

Clue 1

A note has been found at the scene. It must be from the goblin! Within the note there are lots of words with the digraph **ee**. Read the note and circle the words with the digraph **ee** in them. The number of words with the digraph **ee** will reveal the age of the goblin.

I took your pot of gold and I am going to keep it for a week. You didn't see me. Ha, ha, ha!

If you want it back, meet me near the deep river with lots more gold.

From **the Gold Snatcher**

The digraph **ee** has been used _____ times so this must be the age of the goblin.

visit twinkl.com

What a Load of Nonsense!

Clue 2

Read the words below. Decide if the word is a real or a nonsense word. Count the real and nonsense words to discover whether the goblin snatcher is male or female.

real ☐ nonsense ☐

real ☐ nonsense ☐

real ☐ nonsense ☐

real ☐ nonsense ☐

real ☐ nonsense ☐

real ☐ nonsense ☐

real ☐ nonsense ☐

real ☐ nonsense ☐

Male
If there are more **real** words, the gold snatcher is **male.**

Female
If there are more **nonsense** words, the gold snatcher is **female.**

There are more _____ words so the gold snatcher must be _____ .

visit twinkl.com

Puzzling Problems

Clue 3

Draw a line to match the word to the correct digraph. Make sure that you spell the words correctly. The digraph with the most matching words will show the gold snatcher's job.

s___p

s___f

c___

f___k

oa	ar	or	ur

c___net

t___f

b___t

ch___ch

oa	ar	or	ur

If **oa** is needed most, the gold snatcher is a **cook.**

If **ar** is needed most, the gold snatcher is an **artist.**

If **or** is needed most, the gold snatcher is a **mechanic.**

If **ur** is needed most, the gold snatcher is a **shop owner.**

The digraph with the most matching words is _____ so the gold snatcher must be a _____.

visit twinkl.com

Discover the Skin Colour

Clue 4

Read the sentences below and circle the ai, ee, igh and oo digraphs. The digraph which is used the most will reveal the gold snatcher's skin colour.

The rain and sun help the rainbow.

The rainbow might never be seen again.

The goblin might keep the gold.

Cheeky goblins like to zoom over the rainbow.

I hope you don't fail to find the cheeky goblin.

ai = blue

ee = orange

igh = green

oo =yellow

The digraph _____ is used most, so the gold snatcher's skin colour must be_____ .

visit twinkl.com

Discover the Eye Colour

Clue 5

Read the sentences below and circle the correct spelling of the words. Then, following the instructions, find the correct letter of the answer and write it in the box. Once you have solved all of the clues, the colour for the gold snatcher's eyes will be revealed.

The colours of the rainbow are so _____	**bright/brite**	The fourth letter of the correct spelling is...	
Goblins love to eat _____ all year long.	**turnips/tearnips**	The third letter of the correct spelling is...	
The goblin who took the pot of gold is very _____.	**greedy/gready**	The fourth letter of the correct spelling is...	
The goblin can't _____ the pot of gold.	**keap/keep**	The third letter of the correct spelling is...	
The rainbow cannot be seen by the light of the _____.	**moon/mune**	The fourth letter of the correct spelling is...	

The colour of the gold snatcher's eyes must be _____.

visit twinkl.com