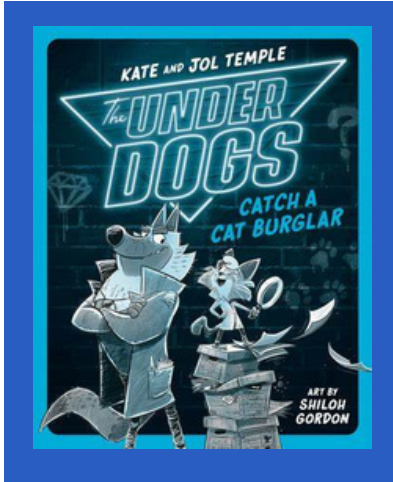


THE UNDERDOGS



The *Underdogs* series, written by the super talented **Kate and Jol Temple**, are action-packed, illustrated chapter books about crime solving adventures.

The Underdog Detective Agency are on a mission to solve mysteries. Join Fang and Barkley, an unlikely crimefighting duo. These books are filled with fantastic opportunities for students to create news articles, and develop their media literacy and critical thinking skills.

Curriculum Links: HASS, Literacy, The Arts, General Capabilities

Age Range: Years 5–8

BREAKING NEWS!

Support students to think critically about the media by engaging in the hilarious and gripping mystery of a cat burglar loose in Dogtown.

Students will engage with the book/s or hear the story first-hand from true crime dogcaster Trudie Poodle and complete a range of activities outlined below.

LISTEN
Listen to *UnTrue: An (un)true crime podcast for kids*.
Use your Pupdate Notepad to make notes and gather clues.

CONSIDER
Create a news article reporting on any of the happenings in the *Underdogs* books.
Highlight the facts, build a story and get to the bottom of the mystery.

CREATE
Choose one of the products advertised in the *Dogcast*. Plan and create a visual advertisement.

ILLUSTRATE
Based on all the clues you have gathered in the *Dogcast*, create a sketch of the cat burglar.

INVESTIGATE
Dig deeper into two of the characters to explore who they really are.

REFLECT
You've read the books or listened to the *Dogcast*. Create your own review to share with others.

NO CLUE LEFT UN-DOG

Breaking News!

Dig out the facts and plan your story.
Create a catchy headline, list the facts, and record quotes from characters in the book before drafting your breaking news story.



Headline



Facts



Quotes



Market it!

Listen carefully to the advertisements shared during the Dogcast. Plan and create a print advertisement for one of the products.

Which product did you pick?

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Catchy slogan

How will you hook people into wanting to buy the product?

Facts and stats

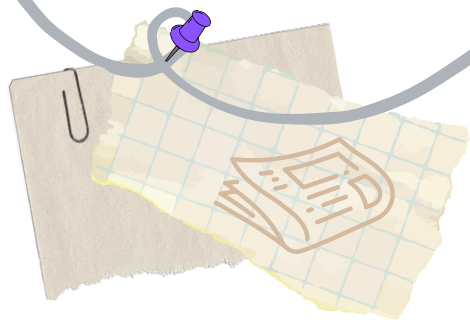
Give the people a little more information about the product.

Picture perfect

What does the product look like?

How will you design your advertisement so the information is clear and exciting? (Think about colours, logos and layout)

Create your product advertisement!



Underdogs in review

Create a review for one of the *Underdogs* books or the *Dogcast*.

Paw rating



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Social media post

What would you tell others about the book or podcast?

How did the book or podcast entertain you?

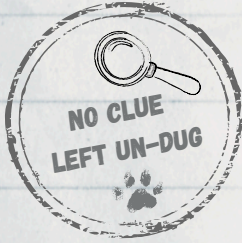
What was something you learnt?

What feedback
do you have?



Pupdate Notes

Create a notebook to record facts, stats and interesting information.



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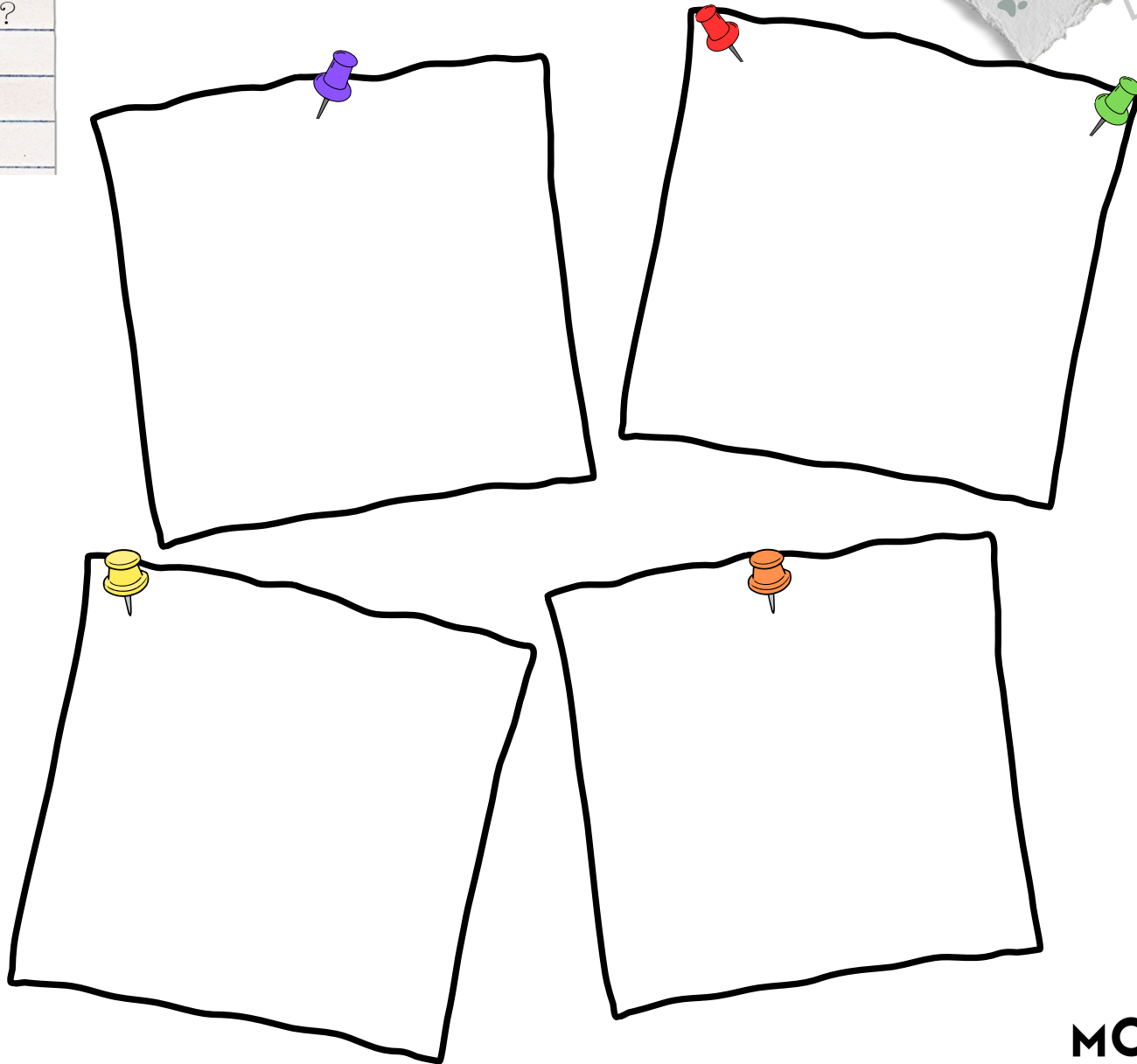
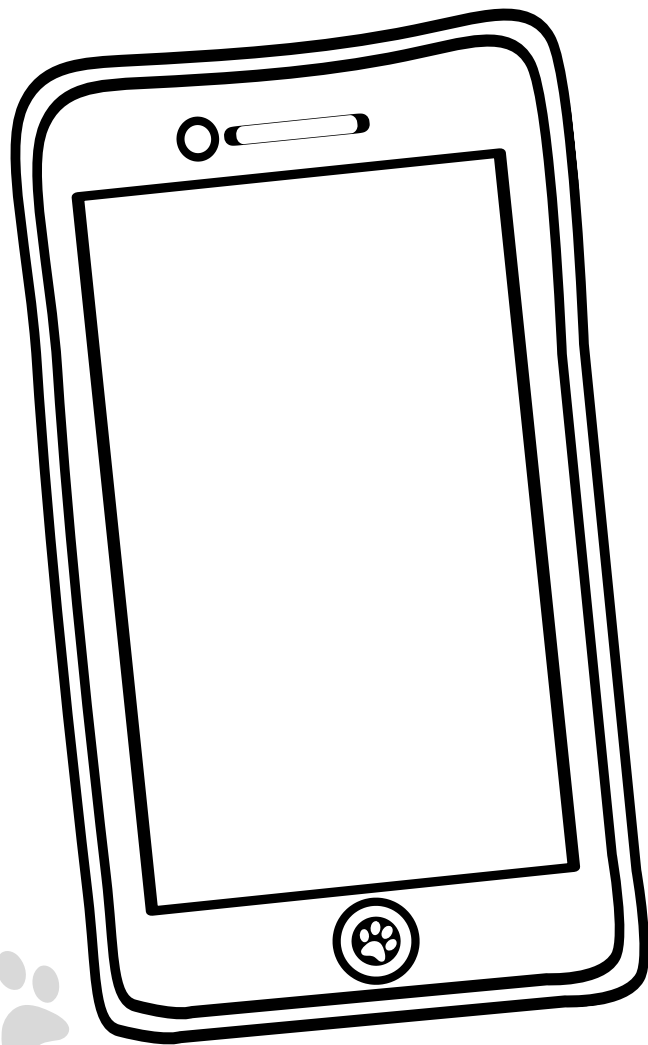
Trudie Poodle profile

Who is Trudie Poodle?

What do we really know about her?

Draw a picture of Trudie and add some dot point facts.

Draw or describe the tools Trudie Poodle would use to help her be a pawsome reporter

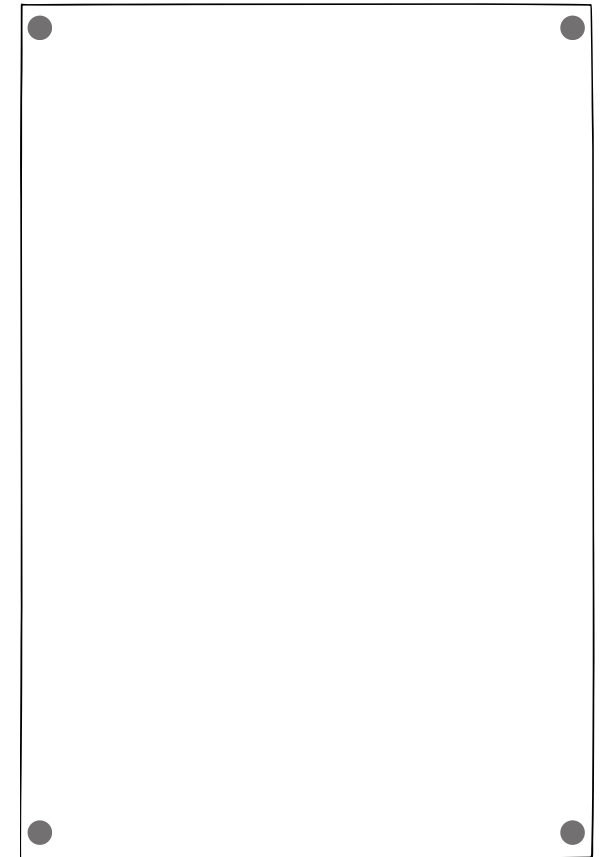
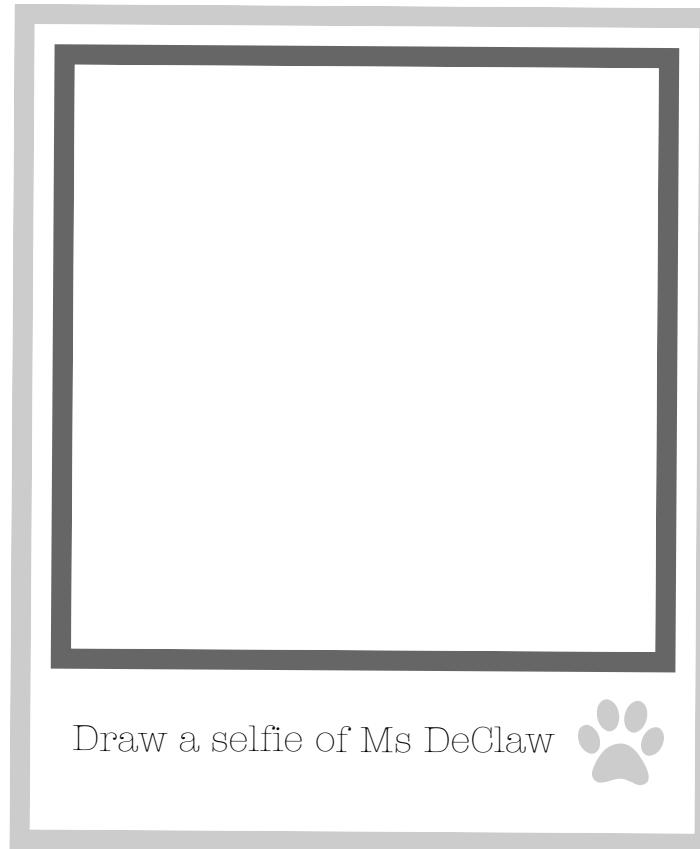


Kitty DeClaw

Let's get to know Kitty DeClaw! Record facts and information about the superstar.



Create a covers for one of the movies Kitty DeClaw has starred in. (Perhaps research some of the pun titles to gather more information)



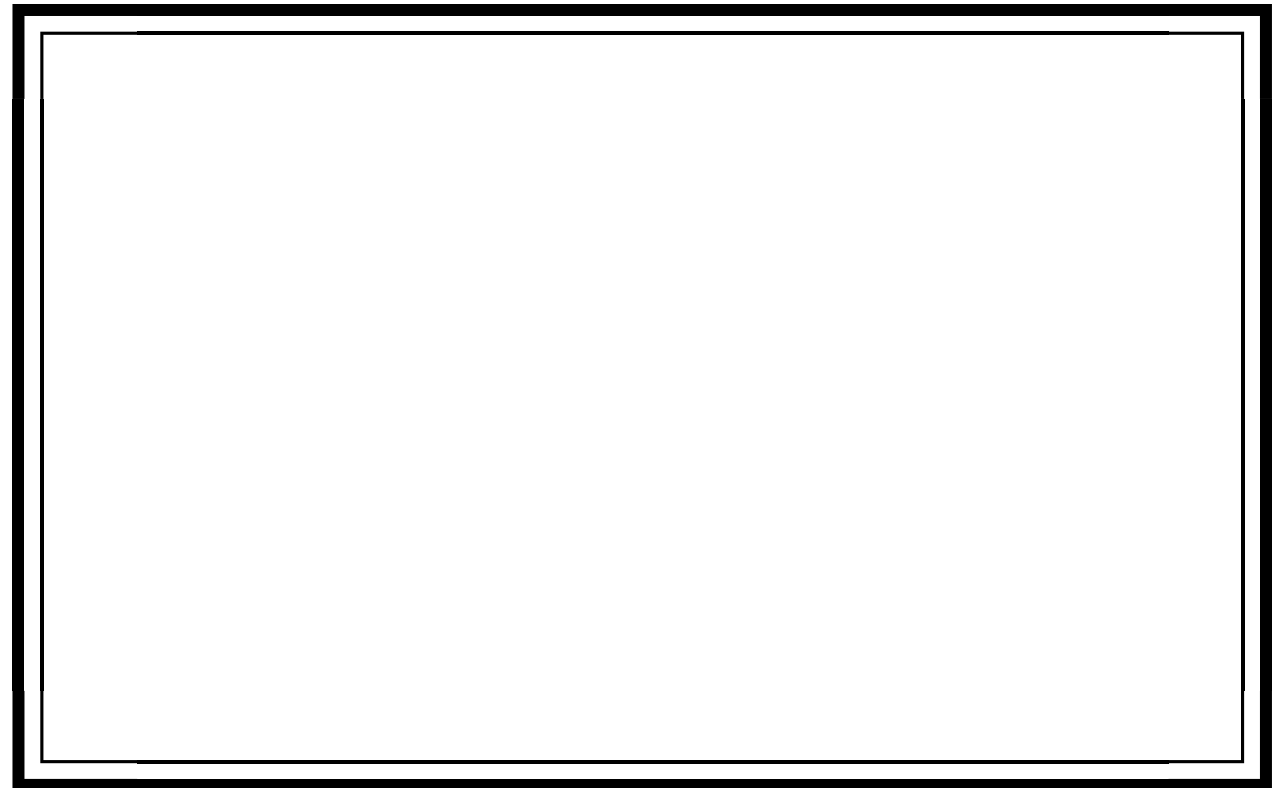
Picture Pawfect!

Got the facts?

Use the information to draw a picture of the cat burglar.

What are the facts?

List the information shared about the cat burglar to help plan your picture.



Caption: