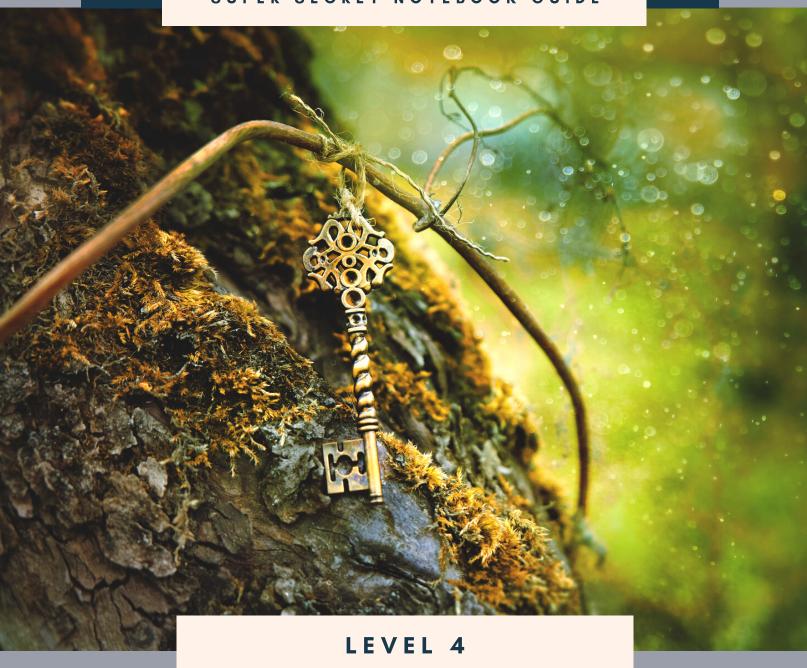
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## Week Three: The Word Collector

**Super Secret Words** 

#### The Secret Mission:

Collect a page full of words from around your house.

#### **Supplies You Will Need:**

- your notebook
- scissors
- glue or tape
- places to find and cut out words: magazines, junk mail, newspapers, packages and wrappers from food and other products around your home
- optional: a waterproof marker in a dark color
- optional (for preparing your page first, if you'd like): washi tape (wide tape will work best)

#### What To Do:

#### **Prep Your Page**

If you want to make a colorful background for your page, try a washi-tape layout this week. Carefully run strips of washi tape across or down the page, covering the entire page. Be sure to go slowly, and smooth each strip as you press it down, so it won't bubble up underneath your words. You can have space between each strip, or keep them all close together. You can use one color and pattern of tape, or mix up several. If you don't want a background, and you like to keep your notebook simple and neat, skip this step! Remember—this is your book and you get to decide what to do!

#### **Collect Your Words**

Go around your house and find words to collect for your page. There are lots of places you can look: junk mail, magazines, newspapers, food wrappers and packaging, old papers, etc. Be sure to ask an adult before you cut anything out!

Once you have permission, cut and collect your words. Try to find words in big print and small print, black ink and colored ink, words on a dark background and words on a light background, short words and long words. They can be silly words or words you think are interesting. They can be words you don't know yet, or simple words like "the" and "go." They can mean nothing at all together, or you can look for words with a theme (like food.) Anything goes---it's *your* secret notebook, after all.

#### **Build Out the Page**

Tape or glue your words onto your notebook page, in any order you like. You can put them onto the page in an overlapping jumble, or lay them out neatly in rows. You can even make a design or picture using them as the lines. Use a marker to doodle around them, if you like.