***The Haunted Chronicles: The Cemetery of Forgotten Names***

**Puzzles, Brainteasers, and Unique Activities for Young Readers**

**Grade Level: Middle Grade (Ages 9-13)**

**Activity 1: Word Search Puzzle**

* **Objective**: Find hidden words related to *The Cemetery of Forgotten Names*.
* **Words to Include**: Morgan, Reclaimer, Cemetery, Gravestone, Aspen, Curse, Forgotten, Escape, Trap, Identity.
* **Instructions**: Print the word search or complete it online. See if you can find all the hidden words connected to the story!

**Activity 2: Cryptogram**

* **Objective**: Decode a famous quote from the book using a substitution cipher.

**Example Cryptogram**:

* + Cipher: "Gsv Olevhvmg Xlnv Rgmlhgrlmvw Uligs"
  + (Hint: Shift letters backward by 5)
  + Solution: "The Forgotten Path Awakens Slowly"

**Instructions**: Use the cipher provided to unlock the hidden message. Keep your decoder sheet handy for future puzzles!

**Activity 3: Gravestone Matching**

* **Objective**: Match the gravestone to the correct character or phrase from the book.

**Instructions**: On the website, there are gravestones with different names or phrases from the book. Drag and drop each one to its corresponding character or event. For example, "Morgan Beckett" matches with “The Gravestone Revelation.”

**Activity 4: Create Your Own Cursed Gravestone**

* **Objective**: Design a gravestone with your own twist on a spooky message.

**Instructions**: Using a simple online gravestone generator or drawing app, create a unique gravestone. Include a name and an eerie message that would fit into the world of *The Cemetery of Forgotten Names*. Share your design on the website for others to see!

**Activity 5: Spot the Difference**

* **Objective**: Compare two scenes from the cemetery and find the hidden differences between them.

**Instructions**: Two versions of the same spooky cemetery scene are presented. Spot and circle the differences between the two images. How quickly can you find all 10 differences?

**Activity 6: Character Quiz – Are You a Morgan or an Aspen?**

* **Objective**: Find out which character from *The Cemetery of Forgotten Names* you're most like.

**Instructions**: Answer a series of personality-based questions related to your favorite things, how you handle fear, and your curiosity level. Based on your answers, the quiz will tell you whether you're more like Morgan (brave and curious) or Aspen (wise and self-sacrificing).

**Activity 7: Create Your Own Cemetery Map**

* **Objective**: Draw your version of the cemetery with secret locations and hidden messages.

**Instructions**: Use the online drawing tool or print out a blank map. Add gravestones, hidden traps, and mysterious landmarks. What would your cemetery look like? Include clues, tombstones with hidden messages, and mark your "exit" path.

**Activity 8: Riddle Challenge**

* **Objective**: Solve riddles related to the themes of the book.

**Example Riddle**:

* + “I have no voice, yet I can speak; I have no hands, yet I can hold your past. What am I?” (Answer: A gravestone)

**Instructions**: Answer riddles one by one, each revealing a new clue about *The Cemetery of Forgotten Names*. Solve them all to receive a certificate of completion!

**Activity 9: Design Your Own "Haunted Chronicles" Book Cover**

* **Objective**: Design a book cover for *The Cemetery of Forgotten Names* or a new book in *The Haunted Chronicles* series.

**Instructions**: Use the online book cover tool to design your version of the cover. Add illustrations, a title, and your name as the author! Share your designs with other readers and vote for your favorites.

**Activity 10: Interactive Choose-Your-Own-Adventure Quiz**

* **Objective**: Navigate a mini-adventure within *The Cemetery of Forgotten Names*.

**Instructions**: The quiz takes you on a new adventure within the cemetery, where you must make decisions for Morgan. Each choice leads you down a different path, where you either escape or fall deeper into the mystery. How will your adventure end?

**Additional Website Features for Young Readers:**

* **Leaderboard for Puzzle Masters**: Readers can track their scores and see where they rank in completing activities and quizzes.
* **Earn Badges**: Completing certain activities, like creating your gravestone or solving all cryptograms, earns special badges for your profile.
* **Submit Your Theories**: A special section allows readers to submit their theories on what might happen in future *Haunted Chronicles* books!

These activities encourage independent engagement with *The Cemetery of Forgotten Names*, sparking curiosity and creativity in young readers while offering them a sense of adventure long after they finish the book!

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