Hello all,

Congratulations on completing all the puzzles for planning an escape room! You have unlocked resources to get started for your own escape room activity.

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Listed below are the preliminary steps to take:

1. Create a theme or story when choosing content

2. Gather a team and hold a meeting to explain roles, split up tasks, and brainstorm puzzles

3. Make objectives using Bloom’s Taxonomy

4. Develop puzzles that lead to clues relating to the content

5. Practice your escape room and have a run-through of all puzzles

Here are useful links to spark creativity:

<https://www.weareteachers.com/build-a-classroom-escape-room-lesson/>

<https://www.keslerscience.com/escape-room-puzzle-ideas-for-the-science-classroom/>

<https://lockpaperscissors.co/craft-1st-escape-room>

Best,

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