



Fifi & Friends

The Super Car Race

Teaching Notes



Synopsis

Fifi is a little girl who LOVES nothing more than tinkering about in her go-kart, whether it's fitting a new engine, inflating the tyres or painting it a shiny new pink. With a SUPER CAR RACE in the afternoon, Fifi's knowledge is soon put to the test! Can she help her friends before it's too late? Join Fifi & Friends as they whizz around the track and discover what friendship is all about.

About the Author

Tamara Ecclestone Rutland is the proud mum of two daughters, Sophia and Serena. She has spent her life in the spotlight as a model, business woman, TV presenter and personality through a host of shows, including the much-loved series *Tamara's World*. However, Tamara would say her greatest and most enjoyable achievement is being a mum. Ever since she was born Tamara has been submersed in the world of racing cars – as daughter of F1 legend Bernie Ecclestone – so it feels only natural that her first series of children's books is borne through the eyes of her eldest daughter's passion for cars too. While everyone loves the idea of a race, Tamara is passionate about teaching the younger generation how everyone should be treated with love and respect no matter their background, ability, gender or hobby.

About the Illustrator

Amy grew up in the city of Plymouth in Devon, England. She studied fine art at university but realised a career as an award-winning fine artist was far too serious for her. So, she has decided to try and make it as an award-winning illustrator instead!

Educational Applicability

Fifi & Friends The Super Car Race was created to promote gender positivity and encourages girls to engage in STEM activities. Celebrating kindness and friendship, this story follows Fifi, full of curiosity and determination, as she shares her passion for car mechanics and delights in helping her friends out when they face problems. Told through playful text and illustrated with bold and happy colours, this is a perfect story to share.



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Discussion Topics

1. Look at the cover of the book together. What do you think the story might be about?
2. What sort of character is Fifi? Think of some adjectives to describe all of the characters.
3. Fifi wants to be a car mechanic when she grows up. Do you know anything about this job/career? What do you think it involves? What do you want to be when you grow up? (This is a great starting point to talk about jobs and gender stereotypes. Children establish gender stereotypes early, so this book is helpful in promoting gender equality and giving the idea that girls can do and aim for anything they want.)
4. Describe all the different go-karts.
5. What happens to Hope's go-kart? Who fixes it?
6. How does Nathan scare everyone?
7. Describe the racetrack. What happens during the race? What does Fifi do?
8. How would you help your friends if something went wrong?
9. Who wins the race? Is winning important to you?
10. What do you think about the end of the story? What sort of message is being given?
11. What did the children think of the book? If they liked it, why did they like it? What was their favourite part?



Wordsearch Activity

Can you find all the words in the *Fifi & Friends The Super Car Race* wordsearch?

Name:

Class:

Date:

word search

THE SUPER CAR RACE

S S D H K E N T C E M C L
R B E D O T R O P E E T P
G Y O H E I E I H A C I N
S O R B R Z N I M S H K W
I L K I N D N E S S A L T
F K C A R T G A D Z N O N
D E T E R M I N A T I O N
J A P A L T E C A R C T R
L O H E I I Y A A T X N Y
H D P E R N L M A E H G E
E F I F I H D Y H S P A H
U N O D R T W N F A I U N
O T S O R O T L C R O G I



CAR
DETERMINATION
FIFI
FRIENDSHIP
GOKART
HOPE

KINDNESS
LILY
MARIO
MECHANIC
NATHAN
RACE

RIRI
TOOLKIT
TRACK
ZAC



Answer Sheet

word search

THE SUPER CAR RACE

S S D H K E N T C E M C L
R B E D O T R O P E E T P
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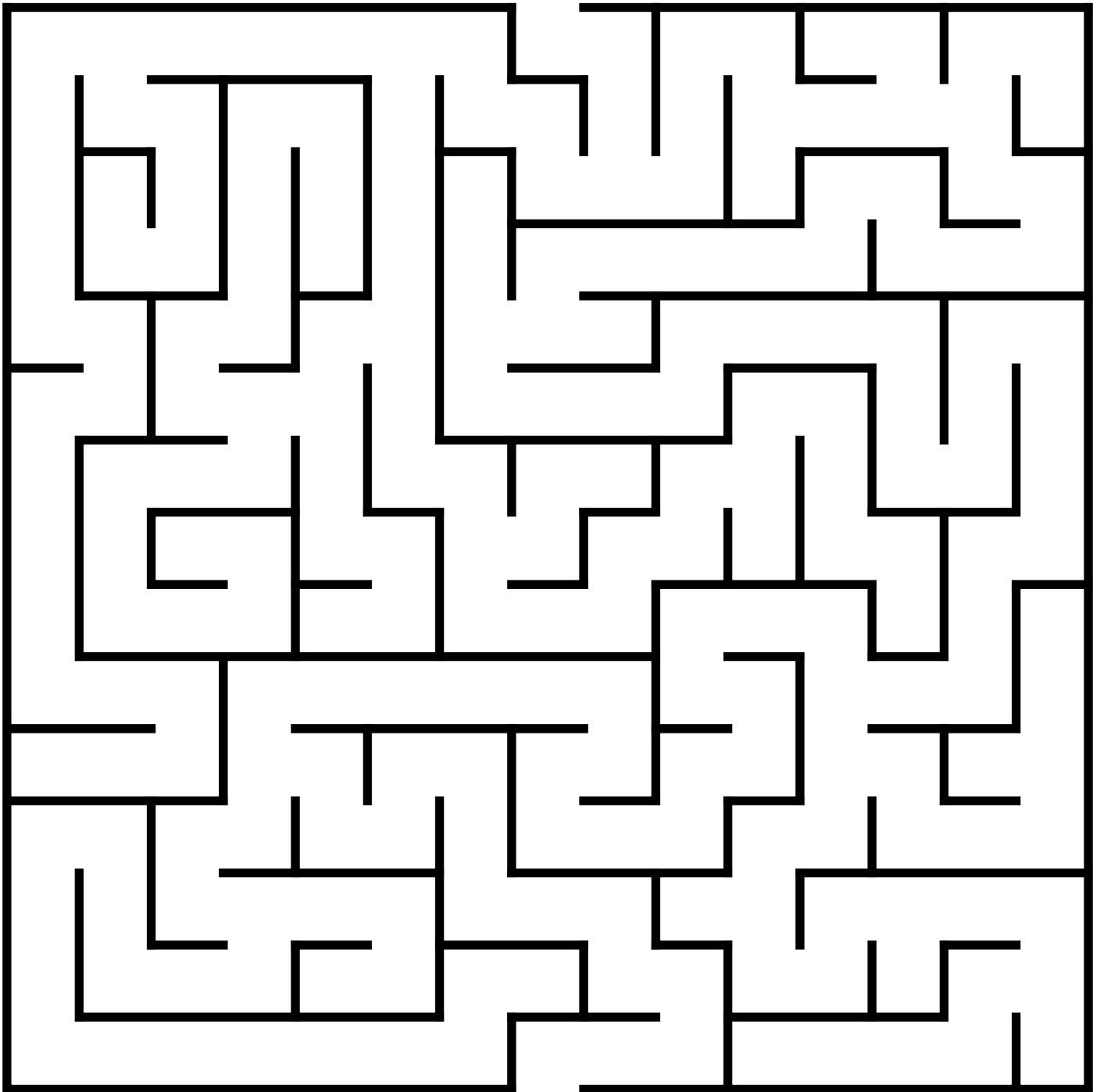
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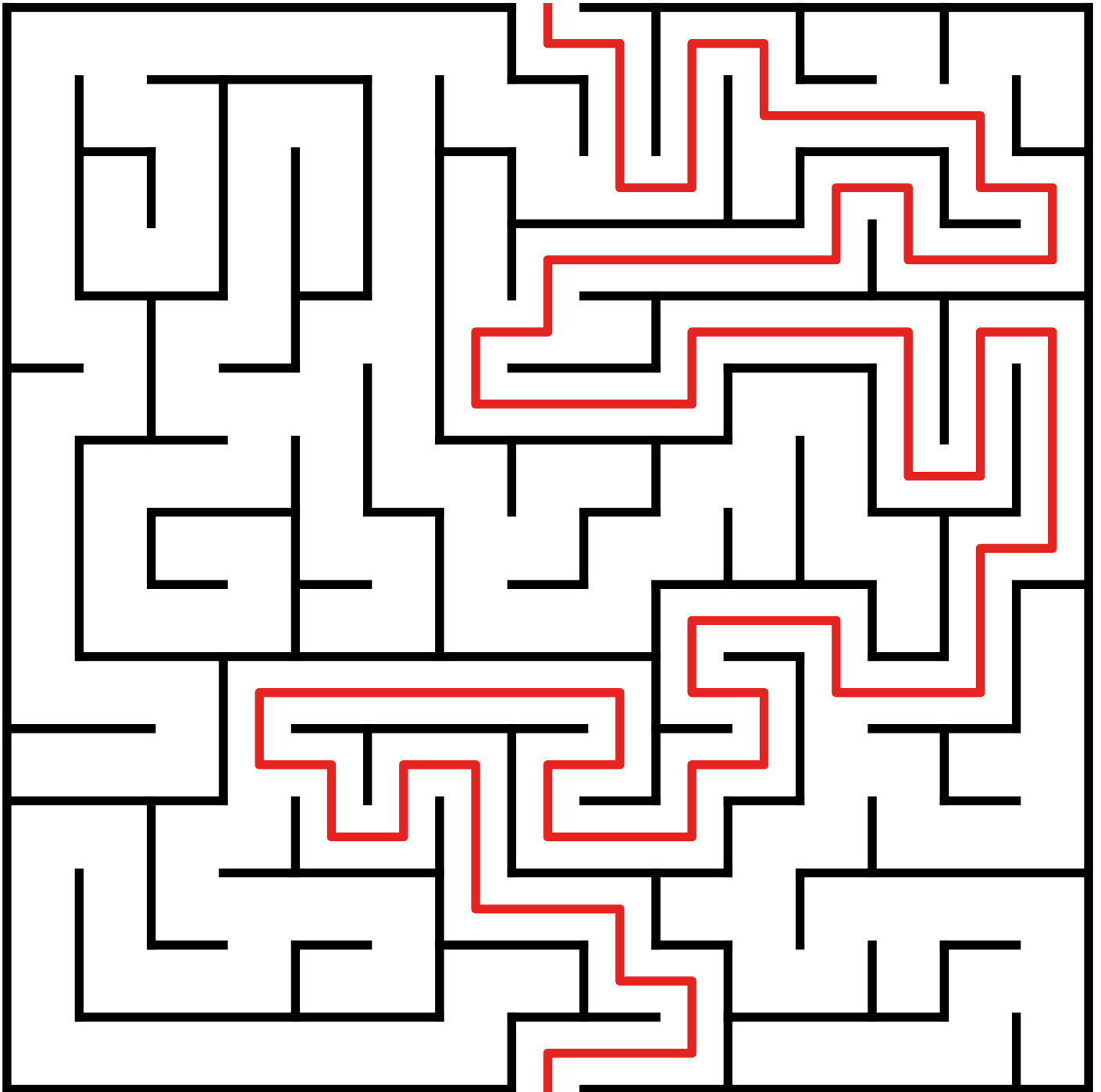


A-MAZE-ING Fifi

Can you help Fifi find her trusty toolkit?



Solution to A-MAZE-ING Fifi



Magic Mechanics

Fifi loves fixing her and her friends' go-karts. Can you draw pictures to go with all the things that Fifi does?



Adding new oil to the engine

Inflating the tyres

Tightening the brakes with a wrench

Painting the car

Fixing a loose part (unicorn horn!) back on the go-kart

Draw Activity

Draw a picture of Fifi and her friends with their go-karts in the space below. Use your brightest colours!



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