

# 10000 Books Before Kindergarten



**Informational Starter Packet**

# Instructions



## Parents,

On behalf of the 1,000 Books Foundation, we invite you to participate in this **free** program that will help you encourage your child's literacy journey before they reach kindergarten.

### Program Overview

Read a book, any book, to your newborn, infant or toddler. The goal is to read 1,000 books before kindergarten. If you read 1 book a day that's 365 books in a year, 730 in two years and 1,095 books in three years. You have plenty of time to get to that 1,000 book mark,

### How it Works

Read books with your child. It doesn't matter if it's the same one over and over again.

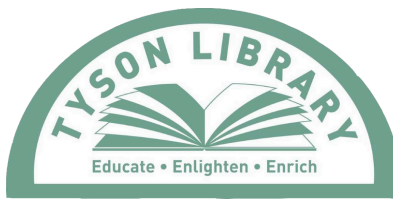
Keep track with our log sheets.

Bring your paper in each 100 books for your child to get a small prize.

Have fun!

### Extra Information

Any child can participate in this program from birth until he or she enters kindergarten. The program is self-paced and you can finish however quickly you want.



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# Every Child Ready to Read

Every Child Ready to Read is a parent/caregiver educational initiative intended to promote early literacy. Every Child Ready to Read promotes five simple, everyday practices that help children develop all the foundational early literacy skills.



## Talking

Talking to your children helps them to learn new words and what they mean. It also helps them associate your words with the world around them and helps them develop important knowledge skills. The experience of self expression also stimulates brain development, which underlies all learning.



## Singing

Singing, including rhyming, helps children understand the sounds in words. This helps children decode the written word. Singing also slows down language so children can hear the different sounds that make up words.



## Reading

Reading together, also called shared reading, is the most important way to prepare children for reading and to help them become proficient readers. Reading together increases vocabulary and knowledge. Children who enjoy being read to are more likely to want to learn to read themselves.



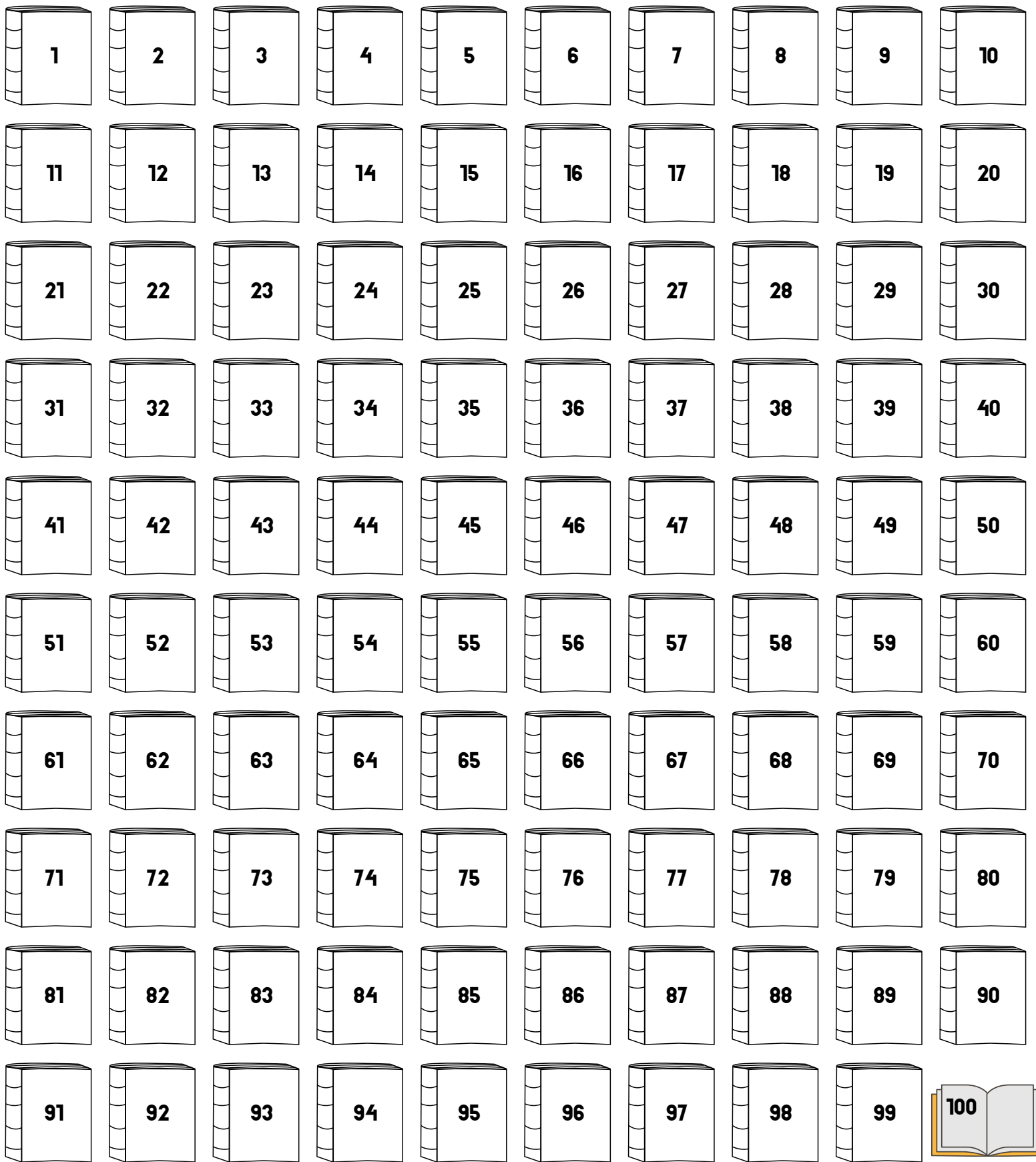
## Writing

Writing and reading go together. Both represent language and the ability to communicate information. Writing helps children learn that letters and words stand for sounds and that print has meaning. Children can learn pre-reading skills through writing activities.



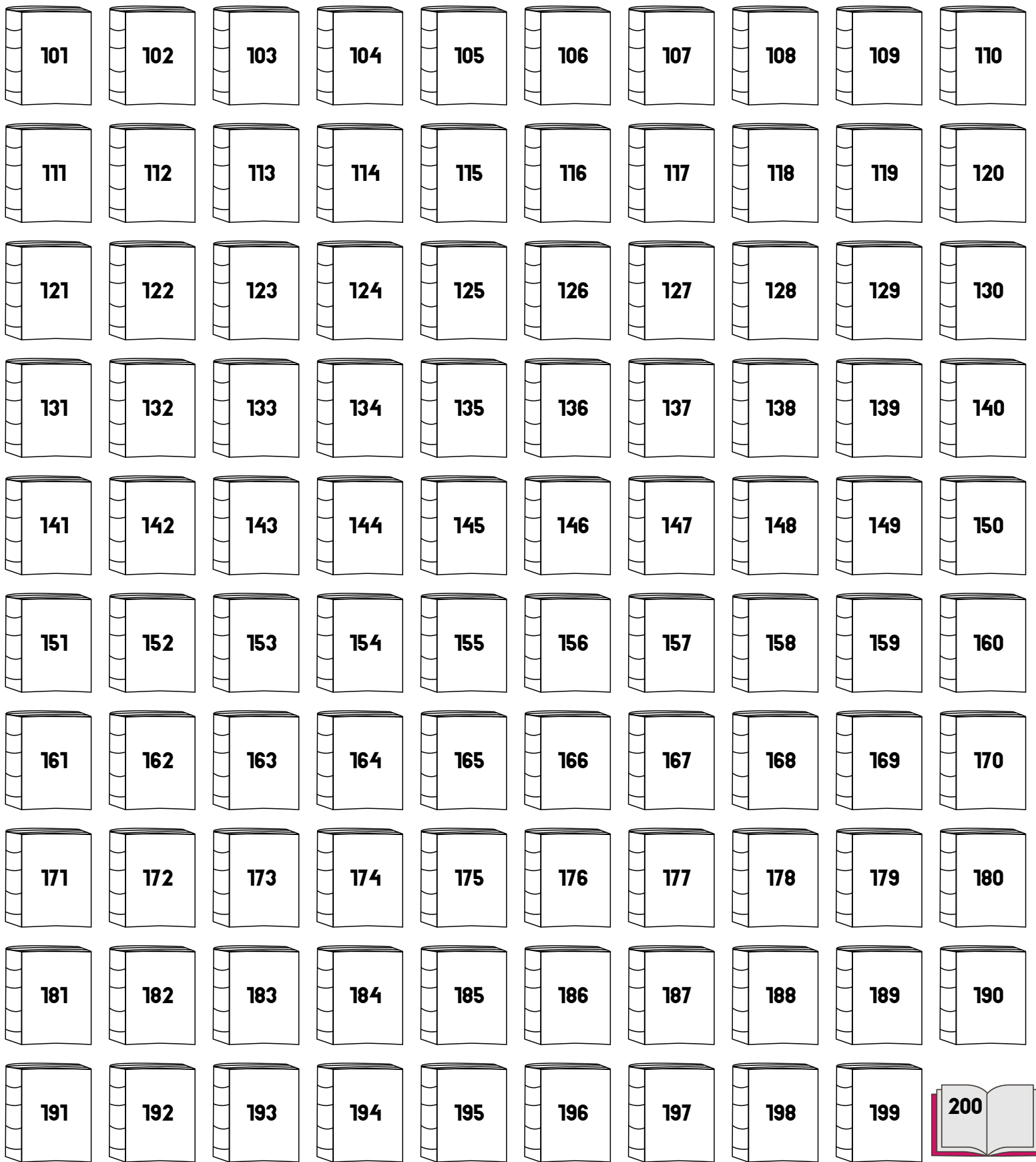
## Playing

Playing is one of the main ways young children learn about the world. Through play children learn about language and it helps them to think symbolically. This leads them to understand that spoken and written words can stand for real objects and experiences. Play also helps children express themselves and put thoughts into words.



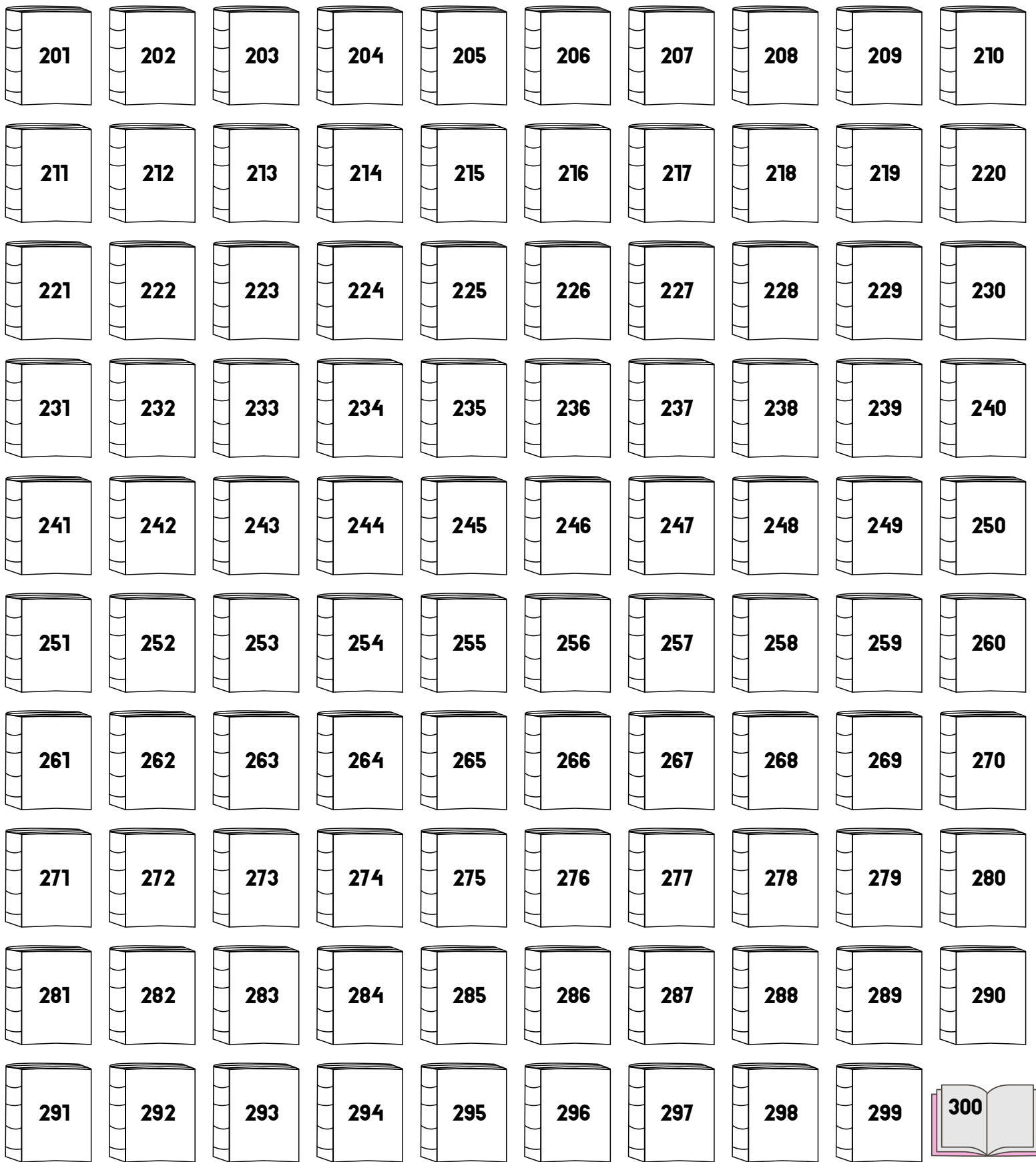
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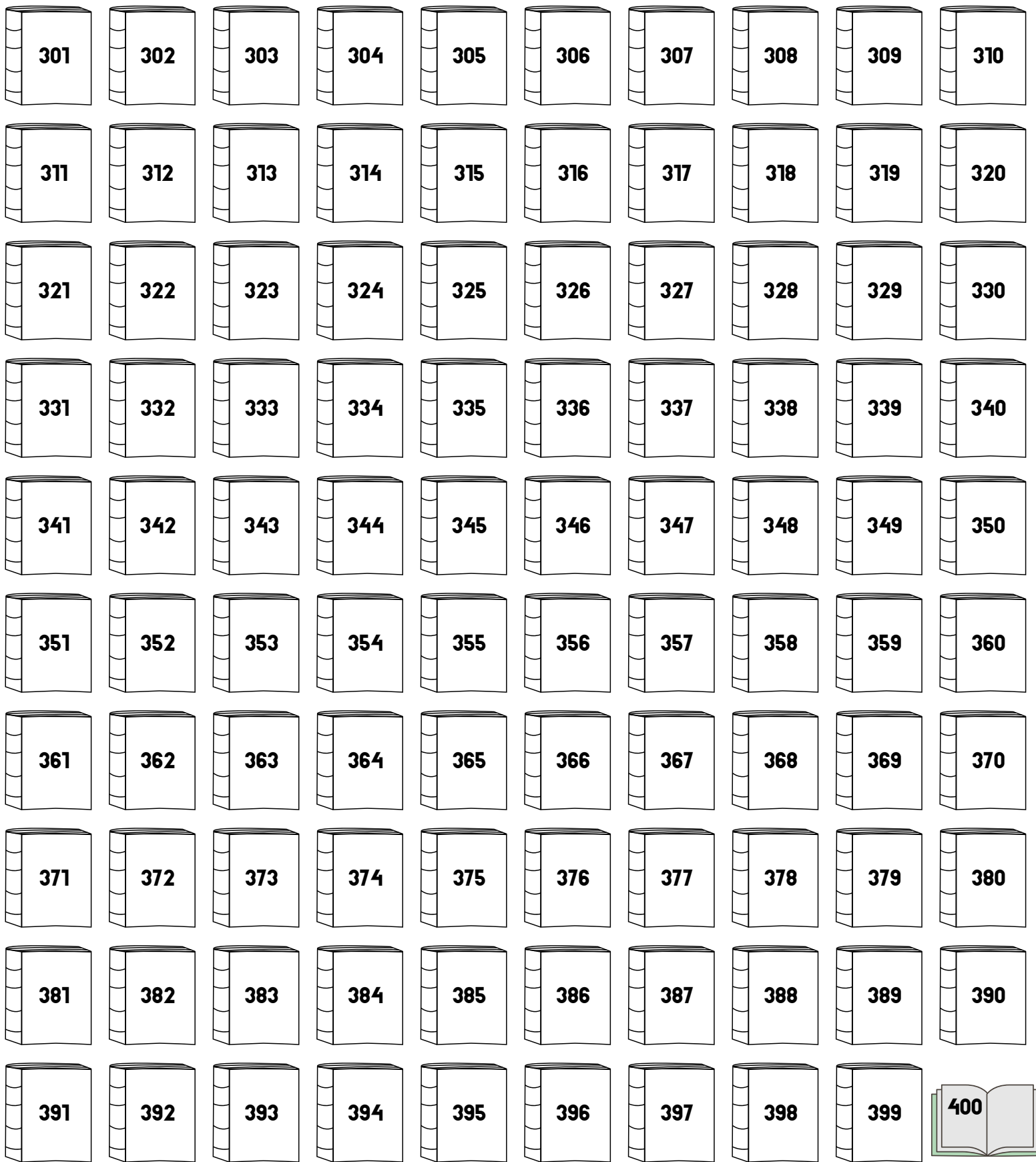
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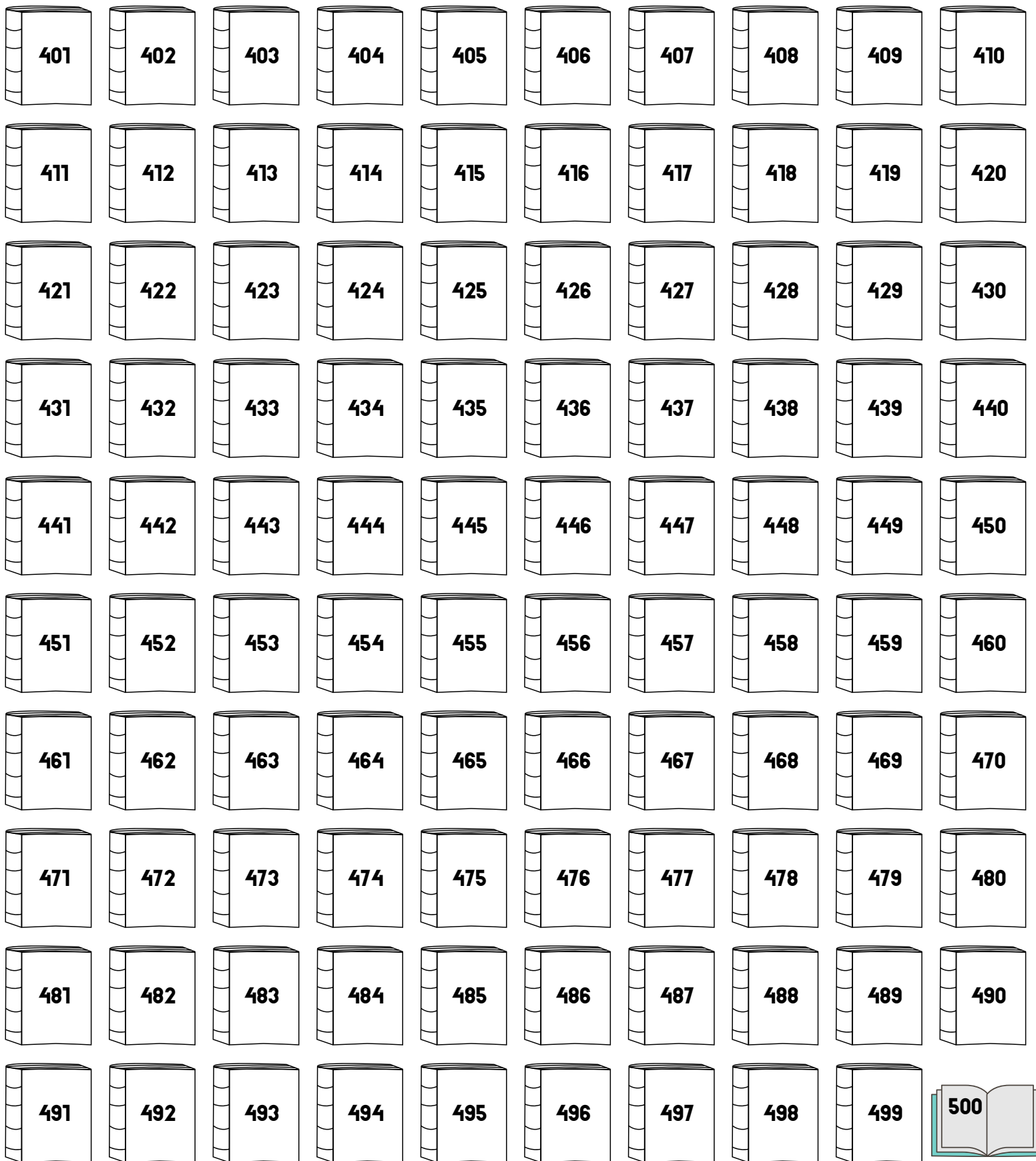
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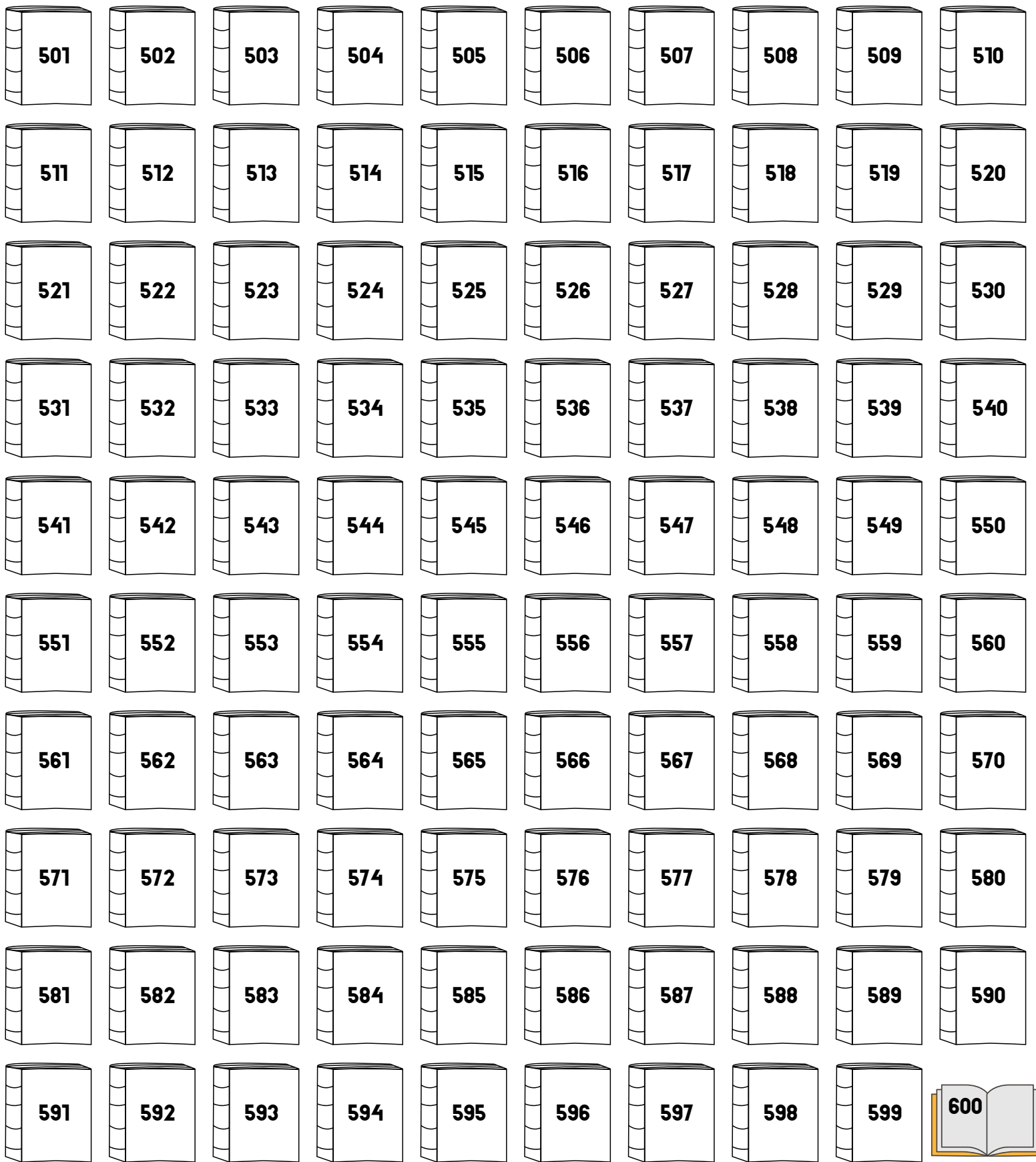
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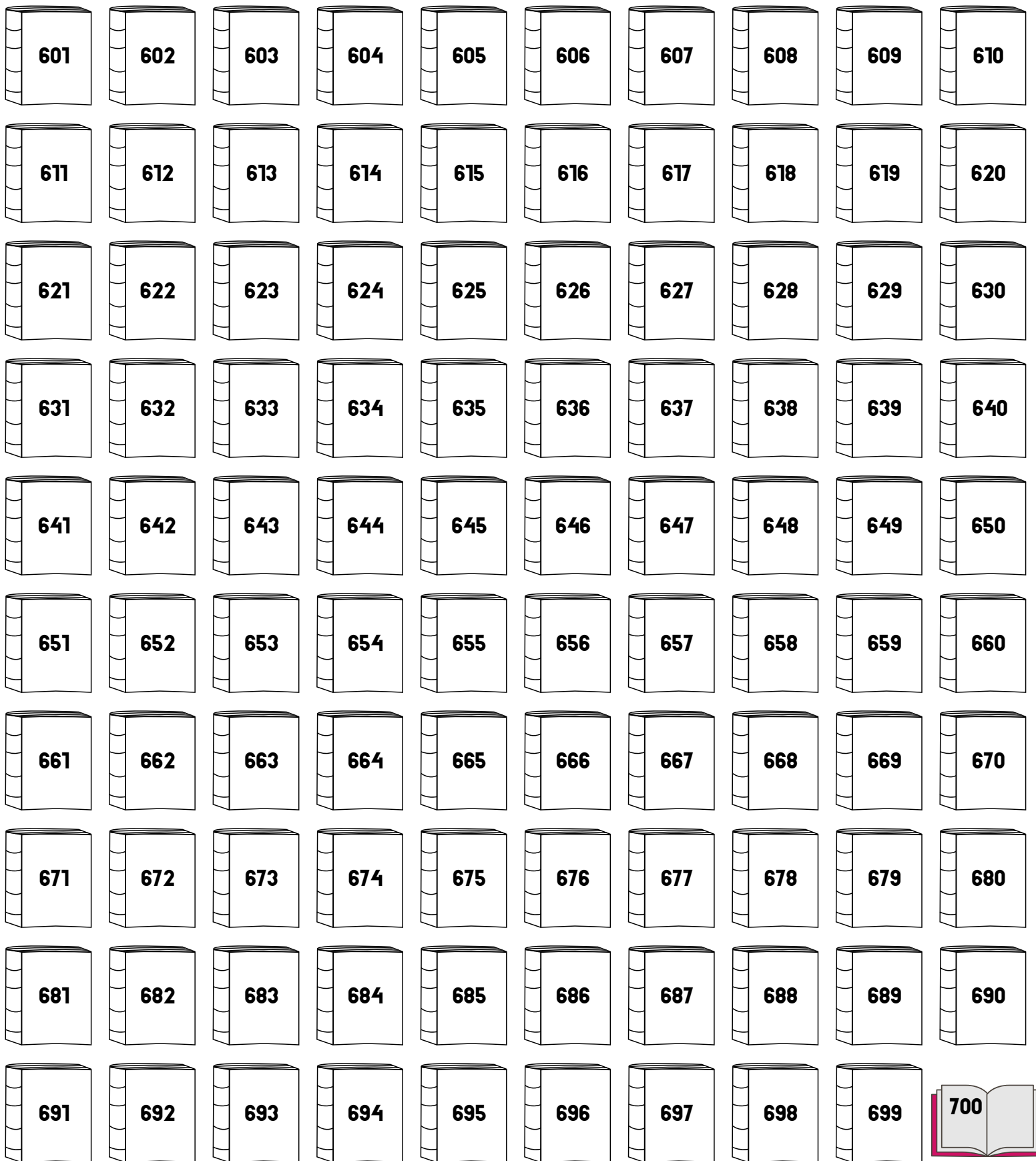
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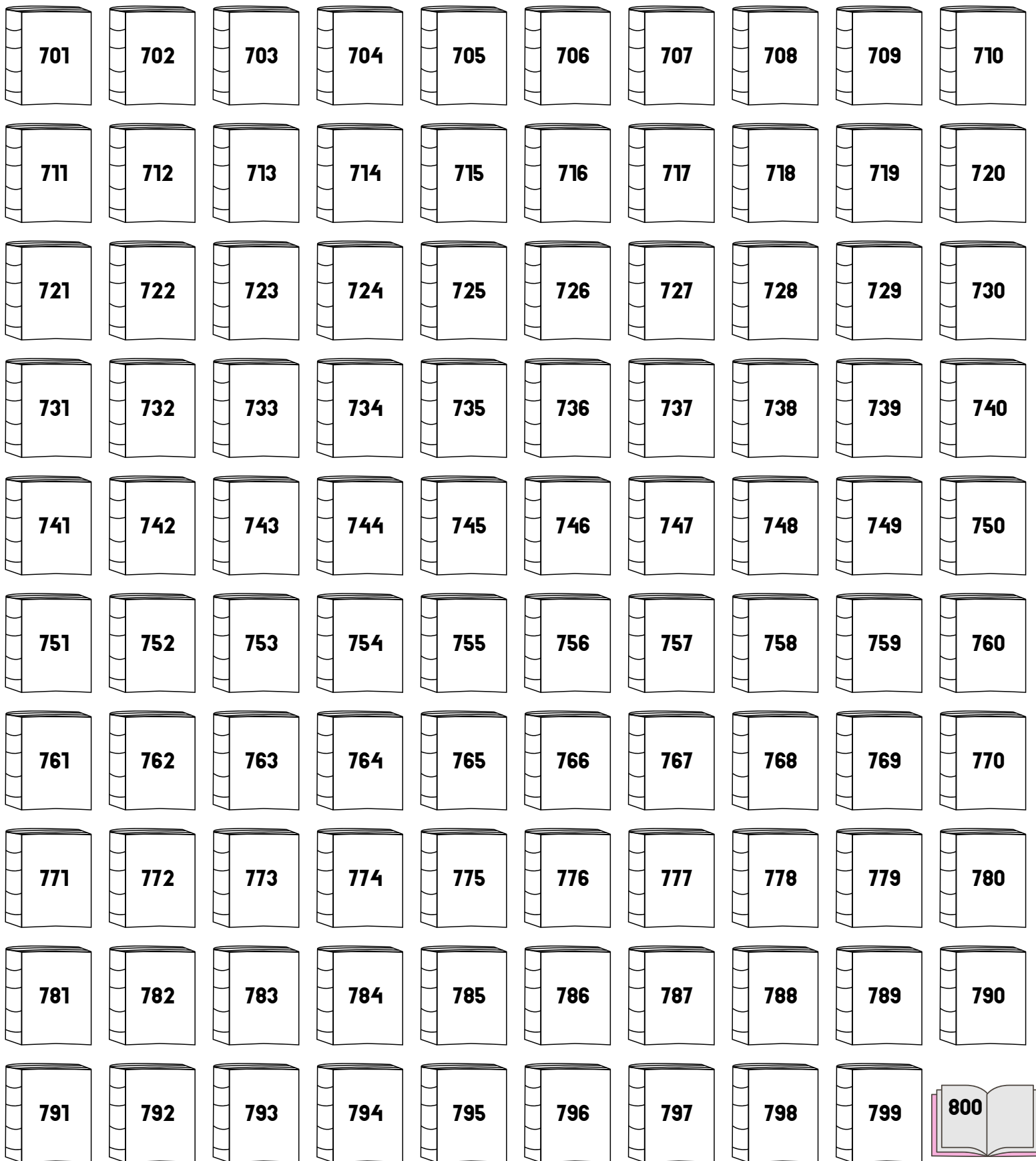
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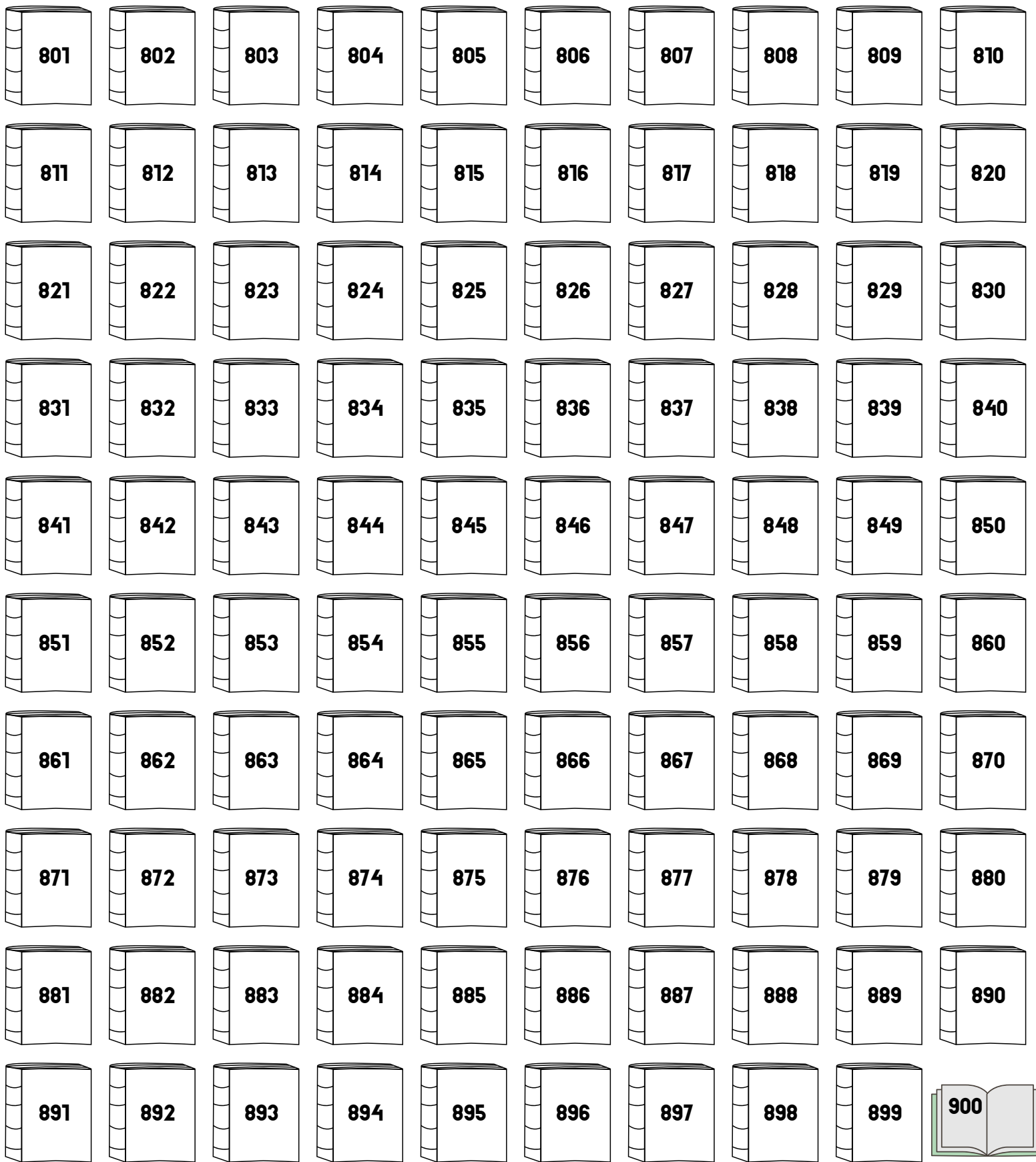
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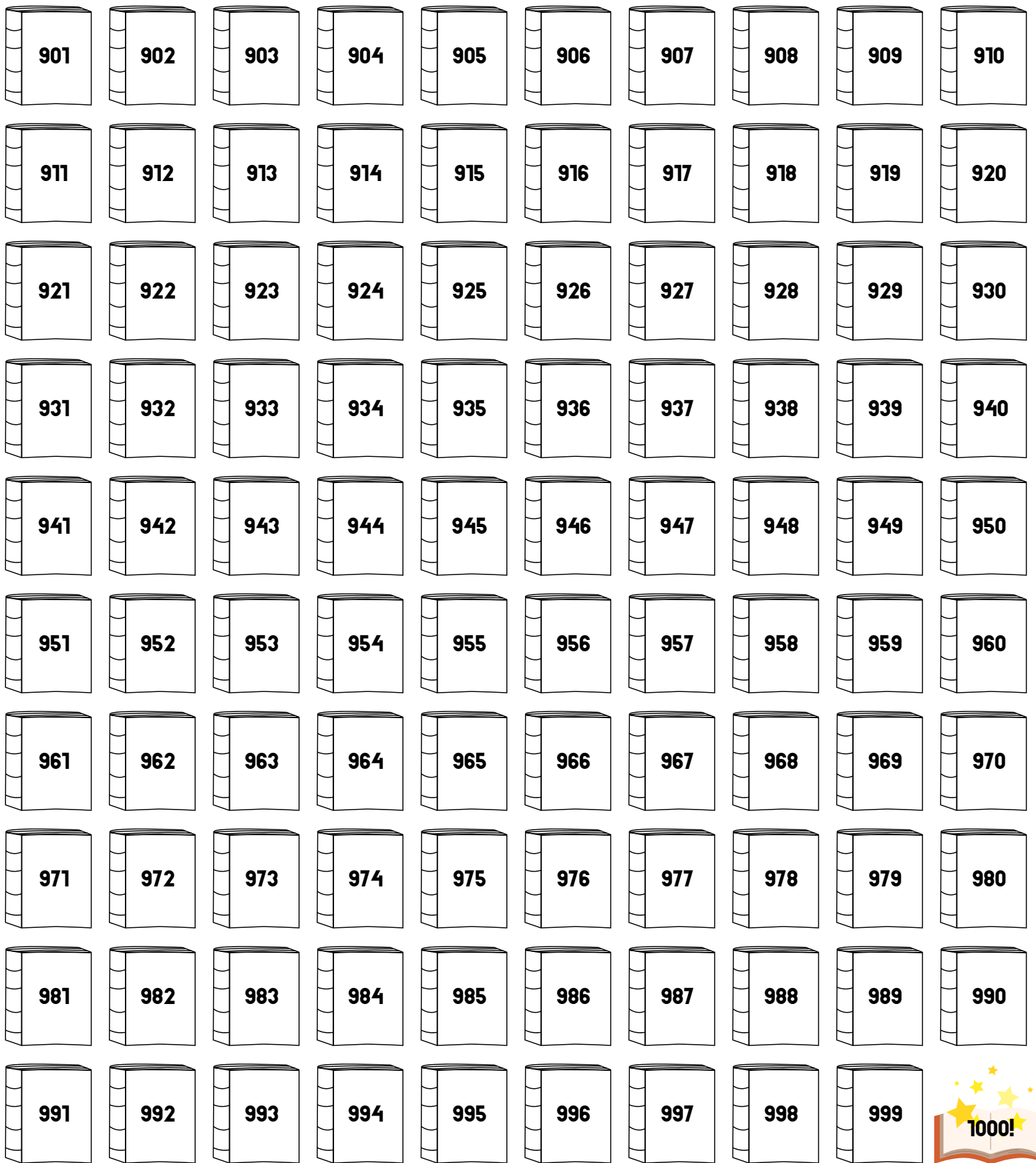
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