

Reading Comprehension Inference

Task Cards

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Inference is the ability to come to a decision or conclusion using evidence.

Evidence might come from text, pictures or prior knowledge.

For example: *She wagged her tail and began to pant with excitement.*

I would infer this statement is about a dog who is happy or excited. I know dogs both wag their tails and pant when they are happy and excited.

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Using Pictures

Who is in the picture?

Where are they?

Is it hot or cold where they are?

Why is the guitar out of place for this area?



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Using Pictures

What is happening in this picture?

How do you think the baby feels about it?

What is the weather like?



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Using Pictures

Why are these people playing instruments outside?

Why does one person have their mouth open?

Why is there an open music case in front of the group?

What sort of music are they playing?



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Using Pictures

What is happening here?

How can you tell that they are putting in a lot of effort?

Why do you think there is a big crowd behind them?

What is the weather like?



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Using Pictures



What is this child doing?

How do they feel about what is happening?

Who do you think is holding their hands?

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Using Pictures

Where is this bench?

Who might use this bench?

Is the bench old or new?

Does this bench look comfortable?



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Using Pictures

What is this person doing?

What time of year do you think it might be?

Is this person old or young?

Why is there a foil-lined tray under what they are doing?

What are they going to do with this when it is finished?



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Using Pictures

Is this photograph modern?

Where do you think these children are?

Why are they all bent over the desks?

Who is the adult standing up the front?



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Using Pictures

What is this child doing?

What time of year do you think it is?

Why does the child need poles?

Why is the child wearing a warm hat?



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Using Pictures

What do you think these people are talking about?

Are they both feeling the same way?

Why do you think one person has a pen and paper?

What do you think the man is doing with his hand?



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Using Pictures

Why is the helicopter flying towards the boat?

Who do you think is in the helicopter?

How might the people on the boat be feeling?



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Using Pictures

Where is this child?

Why is the child holding his hand out?

Is this child on a school trip? How can you tell?



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Using Pictures

What can you infer from this picture?

What makes you think that?

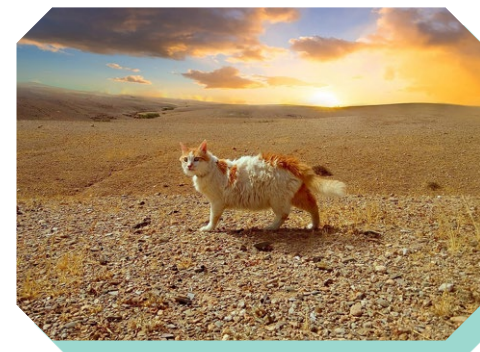


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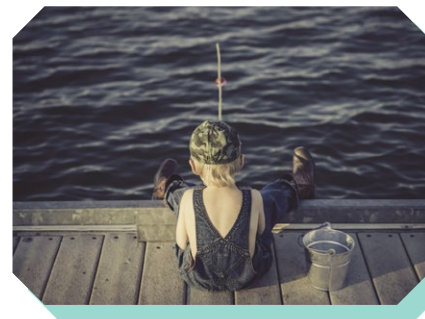


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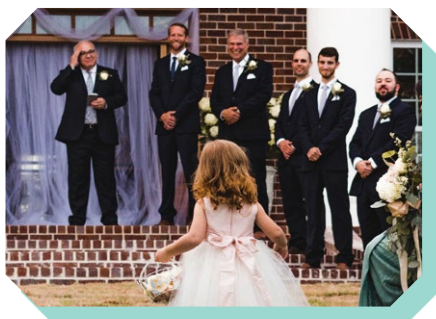


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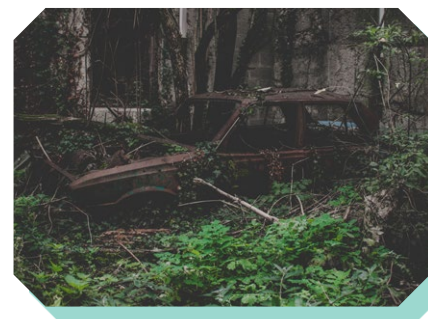


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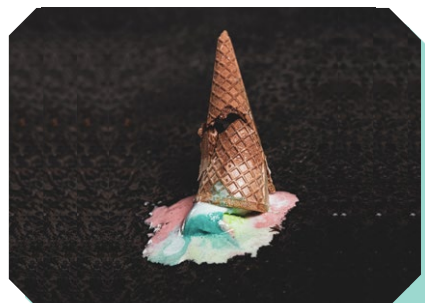


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Using Prior Knowledge

If your teacher is not at school, can you infer that:

- Your teacher is never going to return?
- There will be no lessons at school today?
- You will not be given any homework?
- Your teacher is sick or at a meeting?

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Using Prior Knowledge

If you see someone with a cast on their leg, can you infer that:

- They will have a cast on their arm too?
- They broke their leg?
- They injured themselves playing sport?
- They must wear the cast for six months?

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Using Text

Can you read the sentence below and find the correct inference?

Tom couldn't believe his eyes! His car was cleaner than he had ever seen it!

Can you infer that:

- Tom's car was a Rolls Royce?
- Someone had cleaned Tom's car as a surprise?
- Tom's car was red?
- Tom had never cleaned his car before?

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Using Text

Can you read the sentence below and find the correct inference?

Boom! Fizz! Another one exploded over the children's heads, and they grinned and yelled in excitement.

Can you infer that:

- The children were bored?
- It was winter time?
- The children loved fireworks?
- It was the first time the children had seen fireworks?

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Using Text

Can you read the following passage and answer the questions?

My baby sister picked up her vegetables and, one by one, threw them off her highchair and onto the floor. She kicked out her legs and giggled as they were quickly licked off the floor. When Mum came back into the room, she shouted at the dog to go away.

- Why did the baby throw the vegetables on the floor?
- Why did mum shout at the dog?
- How did the baby feel when the vegetables were licked off the floor? How do you know?

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Using Text

Can you read the following passage and answer the questions?

Will sighed and clicked the mouse again. It still wasn't working. Then suddenly the screen went black. "Oh no!" wailed Will. "It's all gone! I haven't got time to start again!"

- What was Will trying to get to work? How do you know?
- How did Will feel when the screen went black?
- How long do you think Will had been sitting there?
- What might Will have been doing before this happened?

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Using Text

Can you read the sentence below and find the correct inference?

When Maia drew her curtains that morning, she smiled and wrapped her arms around herself. There would be no school today, that's for sure. She would get wrapped up and dig her sled out of the garage. Then she would spend the rest of the day wrapped in a blanket. "Porridge for breakfast, I think!" she said.

- What did Maia see outside her bedroom window?
- Why was she going to have porridge for breakfast?
- How did Maia feel about there being no school today?

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Using Text

Can you read the sentence below and find the correct inference?

I heard the motor of the van as it pulled up, followed quickly by a sharp knock on the door. I ran quickly to open it. With shaking hands, I took the packages and signed them off. Two parcels and a box. I stared at the box - I hoped it was what I thought it was. I returned inside to open it and find out.

Can you infer that:

- How did the writer feel when the parcels arrived?
- Was the writer expecting any parcels?
- How do you know the box was important?