

# Making inferences

## Grade 3 Reading Worksheet

CLUES  
IN  
TEXT

WHAT  
I  
KNOW

INFERENCE

When you **infer**, you use clues from the story and what you already know to figure something out.

Read the story and underline clues to help you *infer* what the boys did. Then fill out the chart below:

Ethan's heart pounded as he stared at the house. The yard was too quiet.

Liam and Jordan ran up beside him. "Nice hit!" Liam started to say, but then his eyes went wide.

Ethan followed his gaze. A long crack stretched across the kitchen window. No one said a word.

A baseball lay in the dirt, just below the glass.

Jordan swallowed. "Was that us?"

The front door at the house slowly opened...



Top Two Clues in Text

What I Know

Inference

The boys

Read the story and underline clues to help you *infer* what Buddy is waiting for. Then fill out the chart below:

Buddy sat by the front door, his tail curled around his paws. It was almost time.

A car rumbled down the street. His ears perked up, and his tail thumped against the floor.

He stood up, watching out the window, but the car drove past. His tail stopped wagging. He let out a small whine and lay back down.

A few minutes later, the big yellow school bus screeched to a stop at the corner.

Buddy's ears shot up. He scrambled to his feet, his tail wagging so fast it made a soft thump-thump-thump against the floor.

Footsteps crunched on the path as someone walked up to the house. Buddy let out one excited bark and raced to the door.



Top Two Clues in Text	What I Know	Inference
		Buddy is waiting for _____ _____

## Answers

### Top Two Clues in Text

Answers may include any of the following:

- Ethan stared at the house.
- Liam said, "Nice hit!"
- There is a crack in the kitchen window.
- There is a baseball on the ground below the window.

### What I Know

*Answers will vary.*

### Inference

The boys broke the kitchen window with a baseball.

### Top Two Clues in Text

Answers may include any of the following:

- Buddy sat by the front door.
- The big yellow school bus came.
- Buddy's tail starts wagging.
- Buddy could hear footsteps of someone walking up to the house.

### What I Know

*Answers will vary.*

### Inference

Buddy is waiting for his owner to come home from school.