

Making inferences

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet



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 Becca is packing for. Then fill out the chart below:

Becca pulled her suitcase onto the bed and unzipped it. She tossed in her flip-flops, then grabbed her favorite sunglasses from the dresser.

She dug through her drawers, pulling out her shorts and t-shirts. Then she found her new swimsuit. It had bright blue and yellow stripes, like sunshine and the ocean.

“Don’t forget sunscreen!” Mom called from the hallway.

Becca grabbed the bottle from the bathroom and squeezed it into the side pocket of her suitcase. She looked around her room, thinking. What else would she need?



Aha! Her hat! She scooped it off her shelf and placed it on top of her clothes.

Then she glanced at her snow boots by the door and laughed. She definitely wouldn’t need those, thankfully! Her suitcase was almost full now. She zipped it up and smiled. Just a few more hours, and they’d be on their way!

Top Two Clues in Text	What I Know	Inference
		Becca is packing for _____ _____

Read the story and underline clues to help you *infer* why Lily is acting this way. Then fill out the chart below:

Lily, an eleven-month-old baby, sat on the floor, hugging her stuffed bunny. She rubbed her eyes with her tiny fists and let out a big sigh.

Her big brother, Jack, held up a rattle and shook it. "Want to play, Lily?" Lily frowned and turned away. Jack tried again, but this time, she let out a loud whine and kicked her feet.



Mom looked over. "What's wrong, Lily?"

Lily didn't answer. She scrunched up her face, wiggled in her spot and dropped her bunny on the floor. A second later, she let out a frustrated cry.

Mom picked her up and bounced her gently. "Shh, you're okay."

Lily squirmed in Mom's arms, twisting back and forth, but then rested her head on Mom's shoulder. Her fingers curled around Mom's shirt, and she let out another whimper.

Jack watched as Lily's eyes drooped halfway shut—just for a second—before she snapped them open again with a tiny cry.

Jack shook his head. "She doesn't know what she wants."

Mom smiled. "She's had a busy morning."

Lily let out another fussy cry and kicked her feet again.

Top Two Clues in Text	What I Know	Inference
		<p>Lily is acting this way because</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>

Answers

Top Two Clues in Text	What I Know	Inference
<p>Answers may include any of the following:</p> <p>Becca packed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Flip flops- Sunglasses- Shorts and t-shirts- Bathing suit- Sunscreen- A hat	<p>Answers will vary.</p>	<p>Becca is packing for <u>a vacation in warm weather.</u></p>

Top Two Clues in Text	What I Know	Inference
<p>Answers may include any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <u>Lily doesn't want to play.</u>- <u>Lily is whining.</u>- <u>Lily is crying.</u>- <u>Lily's eyes are closing.</u>- <u>Lily had a busy morning.</u>- <u>Lily is being fussy.</u>	<p>Answers will vary.</p>	<p>Lily is acting this way because <u>she is tired.</u></p>