

Inferences Worksheet 7

Directions: Read each passage and then respond to the questions. Each question will ask you to make a logical inference based on textual details. **Explain your answer by referencing the text.**

Screech! Karen stomped on the gas pedal the moment the light turned green. She looked over her left shoulder and zigged past a semi-truck. She zoomed ahead and looked over her right shoulder and then zagged past a motorbike. She glanced at the clock on the console and darted into the parking lot. Whipping into a parking spot, she grabbed her suitcase and ran through the lot, up the escalator, and into the terminal. Her heavy suitcase was bumping and bouncing the whole way. Just as she entered the terminal, she heard an announcement over the loudspeaker, "*Final boarding call for flight 205 to JFK...*" Karen looked at her ticket and then at the line to get through the security checkpoint, which wrapped around several turnstiles and slithered like a lethargic snake. Karen sighed and then slowly walked to the customer service desk.

1. Why is Karen in a hurry? _____

How do you know this?

2. Why does she start walking slowly at the end of the passage? _____

How do you know this?

3. What is Karen going to do at the customer service desk? _____

How do you know this?

Brenda reached for the box of tissue. She blew her nose with a thunderous force and then tried breathing through it again. It was still clogged. She stood up and got a head rush that almost knocked her back down to the bed, but she regained her balance. As she tottered over to the phone on her dresser, all of her muscles ached. She located the contact labeled "Work" and pressed send. A couple of rings later, a familiar voice answered the phone, "Happy Fun Land, this is Deidra speaking. How can I help you have a happy fun day?" Brenda moaned, "Oh, Deidra, it's Brenda." Deidra responded with pep, "Hey, Brenda! I can't wait to see you this afternoon." Brenda grunted and replied, "Yeah, well, actually, I need to talk to the manager."

4. Why is Brenda moving so slowly? _____

How do you know this?

5. What is Brenda going to talk about with the manager? _____

How do you know this?

"Shh..." Dale whispered to his friend Jim. Jim stopped talking mid-sentence and looked at Dale. Dale was dressed in a fluorescent orange sweater with the hood up and a camouflage vest over the sweater. He saw Dale point his rifle at the horizon and squint, and then Jim looked where the barrel was aimed. A large 10-point buck trotted about thirty meters from the bushes behind which Jim and Dale were positioned.

6. What are Jim and Dale doing in the bushes?

How do you know this?

7. Why does Dale shush Jim?

How do you know this?

8. What event is most likely to occur next?

How do you know this?

Troy moved the cloth in a circular direction on his car's fender. Troy loved this car. It wasn't a racecar, but he took really good care of it. Next he wiped down the trunk with the chamois and then the bumper. He put the chamois down and took a step back, putting his hands on his hips and admiring his work. The chrome bumper shined dazzlingly. Suddenly, Troy felt a cool breeze. He heard a distant crack of thunder and noticed a storm cloud rolling in from the west. Troy kicked the water bucket over and said, "Doggone it!"

9. What is Troy doing?

How do you know this?

10. Why does Troy get mad at the end of the passage?

How do you know this?