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Inferences Worksheet 9

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.**

Emilio took the cap off his head, dropped the baseball bat, and rested his elbows on the fence. It wasn't that he couldn't find the ball. It was sitting right in the middle of the lawn, just beyond the fence. The fence was not very high either. Emilio could probably get a running start, grab the top of the fence, and flip right over it. But there was a dog, a large Rottweiler with a spiked collar. He sat under an awning a few feet away from the ball. He looked at Emilio and let out a menacing growl. Archie, Scotty, and Dutch ran up to Emilio and surveyed the situation. Archie was the first to speak, "So, are you going to do it, Emilio?"

1. What were the boys doing right before the text begins? _____

How do you know this?

2. What problem is Emilio facing? _____

How do you know this?

3. Why is this problem Emilio's instead of Archie's, Scotty's, or Dutch's? _____

How do you know this?

"Honey, I'm home!" Valentino shouted as he crossed the threshold. He walked into the kitchen and put his coat and bag on a counter stool, careful not to damage the flowers that he was carrying. "Where are you, honey?" Valentino asked. "I'm upstairs, dearest!" Dulce shouted as she finished wrapping the tie. Valentino held the flowers behind his back and crept up the stairs. Dulce tied the bow and concealed the package behind her back as she stepped into the hallway. Their eyes met and Valentino and Dulce smiled at one another.

4. What is Valentino's relationship to Dulce? _____

How do you know this?

5. What event is likely to occur next? _____

How do you know this?

6. Why is today significant for Valentino and Dulce? _____

How do you know this?

"Nico!" Erin shouted at the top of her lungs as she bounded through the meadow, "Come back, Nico!" She was nearly out of breath but she kept running through the tall grass. "Nico, come on, boy! It's time to go home!" Erin continued shouting, her voice hoarse from shouting similar expressions all day. Then she stumbled over the leash that she was carrying, "Whoa... Come on Nico!" Erin shouted, regaining her balance.

7. Who is Nico? _____

How do you know this?

8. Where did Nico go? _____

How do you know this?

9. Why has Erin been "shouting similar expressions all day"? _____

How do you know this?

"Argh!" Amber exclaimed as she pulled off her sweater and threw it into a multicolored pile of clothes. She walked into her closet and swept her hand recklessly through the rows of hanging garments, her face reflecting her dissatisfaction. She huffed and grabbed a silver dress. She held it up to the mirror against her body for a moment, sighed, and then stepped into the dress. She gazed into the mirror, and then scowled and threw her fists down in disappointment. She heard her mother's voice through the door, "Amber, Scott's here. Are you almost ready?" Amber groaned, "OK, just tell him I'll be down in two minutes!" She slid the silver dress back off and threw it onto the ever-growing multicolored pile of clothes.

10. What problem is Amber having? _____

How do you know this?

11. Will Amber be ready to meet Scott in two minutes? Why or why not? _____

How do you know this?