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| **Worksheet** **|** Lower Secondary  Stage (6-8) |  |

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| **Subject:** English Language – Making Inferences |  |
| **Objective:**   * **Reading Skills:** to review making inferences – reaching conclusions based on evidence and reasoning | |

**Making Inferences**

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

1. “Justin grabbed the leash and quickly put it around Tooli’s neck. He stormed out the door with Tooli coming right behind.

He said, “Hurry up, Tooli. You’re always so slow.” Justin kept his head down and walked quickly down the road, not speaking to anyone that he saw.”

**What was true about Justin?**

1. He was very worried that someone might see him.
2. He was angry that he had to walk the dog.
3. He was feeling sick and wanted to lie down.
4. He was very excited and wanted to hurry.
5. Joseph and Caitlin were choosing the players for their teams. It was Caitlin's turn to choose, and only Jason was left. Caitlin said quietly, "Jason."

**We can infer that:**

1. Jason was the best player.
2. Caitlin wanted Jason on her team.
3. Jason was not a very good player.
4. Caitlin and Jason were best friends.
5. When Joe woke up he could hear the roosters crowing.

**We can infer the time of the day is:**

1. early in the morning
2. around noon
3. in the afternoon
4. at night
5. "Jeff filled up a big bowl with fresh, cold water and set it on the floor. He brought out a big comforter and put it on the floor next to the low window. He opened a package, took out a big bone and placed it on the floor next to the comforter. Then he opened the window so that the gentle breeze could blow into the room."

**What was Jeff doing?**

1. He was getting ready for a camping trip.
2. He was cleaning out the closet.
3. He was getting things ready for his dog.
4. He was trying to cool off the room.
5. "Please don't spend a lot of money on my birthday present. I'm just thankful to have such a wonderful mother and father. I'll just use the little money I have to buy myself an inexpensive coat. And if I can only find coats that cost more than what I have saved up, I'll just continue wearing the coat I have, even if the zipper is broken."

**What is the message?**

1. I don't want a gift.
2. Buy me a new coat.
3. The zipper on my coat is broken.
4. I would like many presents.
5. "Of all the chores Michael had around the house, it was his least favorite. Folding the laundry was fine; doing the dishes was alright too. But he could not stand hauling the large bags over to the giant silver canisters. He hated the smell and the possibility of rats. It was disgusting."

**What chore does Michael hate?**

1. Folding the laundry
2. Doing the dishes
3. Taking out the garbage
4. Cleaning his room

7. The shelves were piled high with boxes of every size and shape. Each group had a different picture and different bright colors. There were so many people - men and women, mothers with little children, teenagers putting more boxes on the shelves. Some of the people were talking together as they chose the boxes and cans that they wanted.

Jeff was having a hard time remembering which one to buy. He knew that Rover wouldn't be happy if he brought home the wrong brand! He also knew that Rover was probably getting very hungry!

**Where was Jeff?**

1. Jeff was at school in his son's classroom.
2. Jeff was at the zoo watching the animals eat their lunch.
3. Jeff was buying a pet at the pet shop.
4. Jeff was at the supermarket.

8. "Jessica called Amy on Wednesday after school and told her she would be available to work on their school project after dinner. After dinner, Amy rode her bike over to Jessica's house. When Amy arrived she rang the bell, but there was no answer. Amy got back on her bike and went home."

**What has Amy concluded?**

1. Jessica changed her mind and did not want to meet up to work on the project anymore.
2. No one was at Jessica's house.
3. Amy changed her mind and decided to go home.
4. She went to the wrong house.

9. **What inference can be made about the sentence below?**

“When Randy's hamster passed away, he had trouble eating and sleeping. He wanted his hamster again.”

1. Randy was a happy boy.
2. Randy had eaten too much for dinner.
3. Randy was very upset.
4. Randy was not sleepy at all.

10. "Due to their incredible force and unpredictability, floods can cause tremendous damage. They can ruin houses, roads and buildings. Floods can take down trees and cause mudslides. It often leaves mud, sand and debris behind. It can take months to clean up after a flood."

**Based on what you have read, you can conclude that:**

1. Cleaning up after a flood can be expensive and take time.
2. Floods only occur along the coast.
3. Floods are not that dangerous.
4. After flood waters dry up then the problem is over.

11. What might happen if you forgot to set your alarm clock last night?

1. You will get to school early.
2. You will be tired in school.
3. You will fall asleep in school.
4. You will get to school late.

12. **Which conclusion is best supported by this sentence:** "The Golden Gate bridge spans the San Francisco Bay, connecting northern California to the peninsula of San Francisco."

1. The bridge enables many people to go from San Francisco to northern California.
2. The bridge has the longest span of any other suspension bridge in the world.
3. Thick cables are used on the Golden Gate bridge
4. The bridge is the most popular bridge in the Bay Area

13. **What can you infer from this statement?**

Trees are blown over, the ditches are full of rain water, homes are flooded and the electricity is off.

1. There was a massive party at your house last night.
2. There was hurricane.
3. There was a snowstorm.
4. It was a really sunny day.

14."The night was very dark. Charlie and Ted were sitting by the fire and toasting marshmallows. They had set-up their tent that afternoon. Suddenly, Ted heard a noise. Charlie heard it, too. It said, "Hoot, hoot!" It was coming from the tree over the tent. The boys threw down their marshmallows and ran all the way home."

**Why did the boys run home?**

1. They needed to get more marshmallows.
2. It was going to rain and they didn't want to get wet.
3. They needed to get a flashlight.
4. The boys were afraid of the noise they heard.

15.John is a better student than his brother Peter.

**We can infer that:**

1. John does not study much.
2. Peter gets better grades.
3. John gets better grades.
4. Peter really likes studying.