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Inference Detectives



Read the paragraph carefully. Then make logical inferences and use textual evidence to explain your thinking.

Example:

Anthony glanced at the clock for the fourth time in two minutes. His knee bounced under the desk as he repeatedly tapped his pencil on his desk . When the teacher walked by, he quickly flipped his paper over, even though only his name was written at the top. A bead of sweat rolled down his forehead, and he wiped it away before anyone could notice. When the bell finally rang, he let out a long breath and rushed out of the room without saying a word.

What can you infer about Anthony's feelings in this paragraph? Complete the chart below.

Inference	Evidence	Reasoning
I can infer that Anthony is nervous or anxious	"His knee bounced under the desk... tapped his pencil faster and faster."	People often fidget and move a lot when they are nervous or stressed

What can you infer about Anthony's feelings in this paragraph? Write your response below.

Anthony is likely feeling nervous or anxious. This is shown when "his knee bounced under the desk" and he "tapped his pencil faster and faster." These behaviors suggest he is fidgeting, which people often do when they are stressed or worried about something.



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Jason leaned against the wall outside class, staring at his phone as another TikTok played on loop. He quickly lowered the volume when a teacher walked by, but his eyes stayed glued to the screen. A small grin spread across his face, then disappeared just as fast when he glanced around to see if anyone noticed. When the bell rang, he slipped his phone into his pocket and hurried inside, still thinking about the video.

What can you infer about Jason's behavior and attitude in this situation? Complete the chart below.

Inference	Evidence	Reasoning

What can you infer about Jason's behavior and attitude in this situation? Write your response below.
