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Fiction Reading Kit

Use this kit to help you build important reading skills as you dig into the story "The Big One."

Inference

REMEMBER! Making Inferences is using clues from the story to figure out important details about the characters, plot, and setting.

Directions: The chart below lists clues from "The Big One" on the left and inferences you can make from them on the right. Fill in the blanks on the chart with clues or inferences from the story.

Clues	Inferences
<p>1 Think about these lines that Joe, the narrator, says in the story:</p> <p>"Nobody in my family goes fishing."</p> <p>"After that trip, I begged my dad to take me fishing, but he kept coming up with excuses."</p>	<p>Put the clues together.</p> <p>How does Joe feel about his family?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p>2 Think about what Joe says after finding out that a parent must come on his ice fishing trip with him:</p> <p>"Uh-oh. I was afraid to ask Dad that night."</p>	<p>What can you infer about how Joe thinks his dad will react?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

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<p>3 Write two sentences from the story that support the inference on the right.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Joe's dad is trying his best to enjoy the fishing trip.</p>
<p>4 Write two sentences from the story that support the inference on the right.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Joe is disappointed that he catches a stuffed elephant instead of a fish.</p>
<p>5 Consider these sentences from the story.</p> <p>"We laughed the whole way home."</p> <p>"And he came fishing with me. Three more times."</p> <p>"And that's how I caught The Big One."</p>	<p>What is "The Big One"?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>