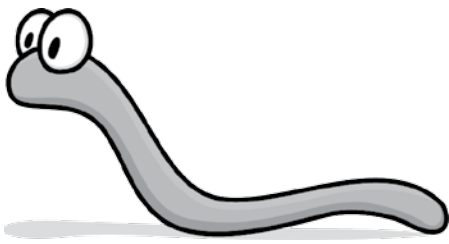


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# Picture That!

**Directions:** Each of the words below appears in **bold** in the story "The Big One." See if you can figure out their definitions by looking at the words around them. You might also refer to the definitions in the text. Fill in the chart by writing the meaning of each word. Then draw a picture to help you remember it. We've done the first one for you.

Word	Quote	Definition	Picture
<b>1. bait</b> (p. 11)	"And Nicole spilled her bait box all over the place!"	<b>food, like worms, used to catch fish</b>	
<b>2. rippled</b> (p. 13)	"The water rippled below."		
<b>3. reeled</b> (p. 15)	"But then I reeled in my line."		
<b>4. grime</b> (p. 15)	"He brushed off all the grime and ice."		

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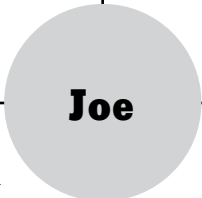
## Fiction Reading Kit

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

### How Is Joe Feeling?

**Directions:** One interesting part about reading fiction is finding out how the characters change. Answer the questions in the chart below with details from "The Big One" to help you figure out how Joe changes. Then complete the writing activity at the end.

<p><b>1.</b> How does Joe feel at the beginning of the story? How is he different from the rest of his family?</p>	<p><b>3.</b> How does Joe feel in the section "A Bad Idea"?</p>
<p><b>2.</b> How does Joe feel when he hears about the ice fishing trip in the section "The Best News"?</p>	<p><b>4.</b> How does Joe feel at the end of the story?</p>



**Joe**

### Write Now!

On a separate sheet of paper, write a journal entry as Joe, explaining how your feelings changed throughout the fishing trip. Use details from the story in your journal entry.

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### 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><b>1</b> 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><b>2</b> 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><b>3</b> 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><b>4</b> 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><b>5</b> 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>

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## Pause and Think

**Directions:** Below you'll find the Pause and Think questions from "The Big One" in the September 2016 issue of *Storyworks Jr*. Read the sections that go along with each question and then answer the Pause and Think question below.

### 1. Beginning Section



PAUSE AND THINK: What does Joe mean by "If you're lucky, you catch The Big One"?

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### 2. "On My Own" Section



PAUSE AND THINK: How is Joe different from other members of his family?

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### 3. "The Best News" Section



PAUSE AND THINK: Why was Joe afraid to ask his dad about the trip?

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### 4. "Time to Fish!" Section



PAUSE AND THINK: What do Joe and his dad do in this section?

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### 5. "A Bad Idea" Section



PAUSE AND THINK: Why does Joe feel mad at himself?

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### 6. "The Surprising Catch" Section



PAUSE AND THINK: What does Joe catch? How does he feel?

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### 7. "A New Fishing Fan" Section



PAUSE AND THINK: Why do Joe and his dad love fishing?

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## Think About It!

**Close-Reading Questions:** Read the story "The Big One" in the September 2016 issue of *Storyworks Jr.* Then go back and reread sections of the story to answer the questions below.

1. Read the last three lines of "On My Own." How do you think Joe's mom and dad feel when they say "Wow" and "Gee"? How do you know?

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2. In "Time to Fish!" why does Joe feel embarrassed that his dad is drinking hot chocolate?

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**3.** In "The Surprising Catch," why does Joe's dad take the elephant home? What do the last three lines of this section tell you about the fishing trip?

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**4.** In "A New Fishing Fan," how does Joe feel when his dad asks to go fishing? Why?

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**5.** In the last line, what does Joe mean when he says he caught The Big One?

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### **Critical-Thinking Question (a big question about the whole story):**

6. By the end of the story, why does Joe's dad want to join Joe on his next fishing trip?

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## "The Big One" Quiz

**Directions:** Read the story "The Big One" in the September 2016 issue of *Storyworks Jr.* Then fill in the bubble next to the best answer for each question below.

**1. What made Joe first love fishing?**

- Ⓐ He went fishing a lot as a child.
- Ⓑ His mom took him on fishing trips.
- Ⓒ His mom signed him up for a fishing club.
- Ⓓ He caught a huge fish while on a fishing trip with his family.

**2. In "The Best News," what problem does Joe face when Mr. Pinkton announces the ice fishing trip?**

- Ⓐ Joe doesn't think his parents will want to go with him.
- Ⓑ Joe has plans for that weekend.
- Ⓒ The trip will cost a lot of money.
- Ⓓ Joe's parents won't let him go.

**3. In "Time to Fish!" why does Mr. Pinkton say Joe's dad is a "smart man" for drinking hot chocolate?**

- Ⓐ because Mr. Pinkton loves hot chocolate
- Ⓑ because it's so cold outside and it's smart to stay in the tent
- Ⓒ because everyone is thirsty
- Ⓓ because the hot chocolate is almost gone

**4. In "A Bad Idea," what does Joe's dad mean when he says "I think my nose just fell off"?**

- Ⓐ Joe's dad keeps blowing his nose because he has a cold.
- Ⓑ He has a really big nose.
- Ⓒ His face is so cold, he feels like his nose could fall off.
- Ⓓ His nose is hurting him.

**5. You can figure out that by the end of the story Joe feels:**

- Ⓐ sad
- Ⓑ happy
- Ⓒ angry
- Ⓓ calm

**6. At the end of the story, Joe says of his father, "You might say he was hooked." What does Joe mean?**

- Ⓐ Joe's dad finally enjoys fishing.
- Ⓑ Joe's dad likes fishing hooks.
- Ⓒ Joe's dad joins a fishing club too.
- Ⓓ Joe's dad feels like a fish.

### Short Answer

**Directions:** On a separate sheet of paper, answer the question below in a short, well-written paragraph. Make sure to use details from the story.

**Joe has many feelings in this story. What is one feeling he experiences? What happens to make him feel that way?**