

Will Rogers, 3rd Grade
Lesson Link
Cycle I
Inference
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Revised Lesson

Connection:

Readers we've been learning many strategies to help us become good readers, like ... predicting

Today I'm going to teach you another strategy good readers use to help them enjoy and understand what they read.

Teaching Point:

Good readers use a strategy called inference when they read. Inference is using clues from the story and your own experiences to help you understand ideas that the author does not directly tell you.

Chart: Great News, Frames and boxes

I infer that

The clues from the story are

I know from my own experience that

Model or Teach:

Let me show you how good readers use this strategy when they read.

Read Great News charted on paper from SOS Inference

Use the talk frames to model your inference and clues. Use a post it and place inference and clues in correct boxes.

I infer that _____

I know this because:

The clues from the story are _____

I know from my own experience that _____

Active Engagement:

Now you try it, let's read Al's Teeth and you .

Read Al's Teeth together.

Share: Use accountable talk frames and turn and talk with your neighbor. Share out what students found using same frames and boxes. Write responses on post its and place inferences and clues in correct boxes or write clues directly in boxes if not teaching more than one group.

Link:

So today and every day when you read you can use inference to help you understand and enjoy what you are reading.

Assessment:

Now you read this story, Maria's New Pet on your own and write your inference and the clues you found in the story and what you already knew that helped you to understand what the

author doesn't tell you. Make sure you read the whole story and use all the clues in the text to help you make your inference.

Where students get stuck:

They don't read the whole story. Maria got a new pet so Jim must be happy. They don't balance out equally the clues from the story with their own experience.

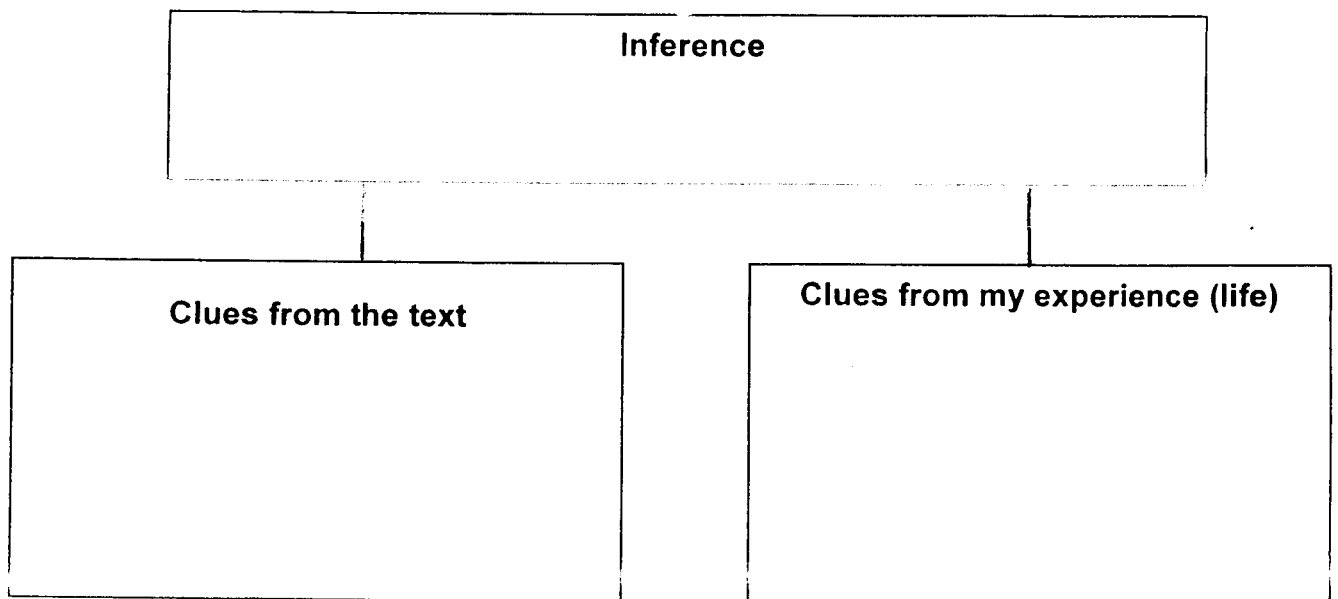
Preteach vocabulary for Al's Teeth and Maria's New Pet
Trembled, chattered and startled

Name: _____

Making Inferences

Al's teeth chattered. His knees shook. His voice trembled as he said, "I wish I didn't have to make this speech!"

How does Al feel?



Name: _____

Making Inferences

Maria asked Jim to come to her house. She had a new pet to show him. Jim looked at Maria's pet. When he saw that it was a snake, Jim was startled and jumped back. Jim said, "I'm glad that my pet is a cat."

How does Jim feel about Maria's new pet?

