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HOMEWORK
Island of the
Blue Dolphins
Make Inferences

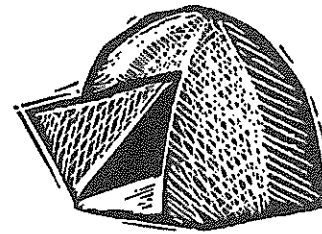
► Read each passage. Then answer each question.

Binh's stomach fluttered. She went over the list of supplies in her mind: matches, sleeping bag, plastic sheet, knife, hatchet, and all the rest. Her adventure was going to start soon, whether she was ready or not.

1. How is Binh feeling right now? _____

2. What words and phrases helped you make this inference? _____

After three days in the wilderness, Binh set up her tent and made a fire in half the time it had taken her at first. She ate a good dinner of freeze-dried stew and freshly picked berries, played the harmonica for a while, and fell asleep the instant she stretched out in her sleeping bag.



3. How does Binh feel about wilderness camping after three days? _____

4. What words and phrases helped you make this inference? _____

The entire class was absolutely silent as Binh gave her report, their eyes fixed on her face. When Binh told about her run-in with the fox, you could hear a huge gasp as everyone drew in their breath at the same time.



5. Was the class puzzled, bored, or fascinated by Binh's report? _____

6. What words and phrases helped you make this inference? _____

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Skill Reminder

- A **singular noun** names one person, place, thing, or idea. A **plural noun** names more than one person, place, thing, or idea.
- **Regular nouns** become plural if you add **-s** or **-es**. Change the **y** at the end of some regular nouns to **i** before adding **-es**.
- Some **irregular nouns** have a special spelling in the plural form. Others have the same spelling for both the singular and plural forms.

► Write the nouns in each sentence on the line. Write *singular* or *plural* after each noun.

1. The wind blew in fierce gusts. _____
2. It stung our faces. _____
3. My brother carried our baskets. _____
4. We were hoping to catch many fish. _____
5. Four men stood beside the boats. _____

► Rewrite each sentence, using the plural of the noun in parentheses.

6. Sometimes the people had (party) on the beach. _____

7. The (child) would play in the water. _____

8. All the (guest) ate the tasty (fish). _____

