Where Were They?

An inference is a conclusion you draw based on evidence in a reading passage.

Read each paragraph and answer the inference question that follows.

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Where was Tiffany? How do you know?

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Where was Sam? How do you know?

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Tiffany was at band practice. (Other acceptable answers: music class; trumpet lesson)

Tiffany brought home sheet music and an instrument case. She has a spring concert coming up.

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Sam was at Michael’s house for a sleep-over.

Sam came home with a sleeping bag and a bag of clothes. Sam must have slept in the bottom bunk bed in Michael’s room.

3. Brittany’s mom walks into the kitchen wearing her sun hat and a pair of old shoes. “Those vegetable plants are growing by leaps and bounds!” she exclaims to Brittany, as she takes off a dirty glove and wipes a smudge of dirt off her face. Where was Brittany’s mom? How do you know?

Brittany’s mom was working in the garden.

Brittany’s mom came inside with a sun hat on her head and old shoes. She commented about the vegetable plants. She was wearing dirty gloves and had dirt on her face.