Making Inferences

## Reading Between the Lines

# Lesson Information

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| ID | lesson\_08 |
| Level | Foundation |
| Duration | 20-25 min |
| Skill Codes | INF |
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# Learning Objectives

* Distinguish between explicit and implicit information
* Make logical inferences based on textual evidence
* Avoid overreaching beyond what the passage supports
* Practice inference questions using proven SAT strategies

# Success Criteria

Mastery Threshold: 0.75

Minimum Accuracy: 0.7

Required Slides: all

# Lesson Slides

## Slide 1: Welcome to Making Inferences

ID: slide\_01

Type: introduction

Duration: 180 seconds

### Learning Objectives

In this lesson, you'll master the skill of making logical inferences - reading between the lines to understand what authors suggest without directly stating.

#### Key Points

* Learn the difference between stated facts and inferences
* Master the 'one step away' inference rule
* Practice avoiding inference traps and overreaching
* Apply Erica Meltzer's proven inference strategies

## Slide 2: What Are Inferences?

ID: slide\_02

Type: concept\_teaching

Duration: 240 seconds

### Understanding Logical Inferences

An inference is a logical conclusion drawn from evidence and reasoning, not from explicit statements. SAT inferences must be 'one step away' from what's directly stated.

## Slide 3: The STEP Inference Strategy

ID: slide\_03

Type: strategy\_teaching

Duration: 300 seconds

### STEP Method (Based on Erica Meltzer's Approach)

#### Strategy Steps

**Step 1:**

Identify the relevant evidence in the passage

**Step 1:**

Consider what this evidence logically suggests

**Step 1:**

Remove extreme or unsupported answer choices

**Step 1:**

Choose the most reasonable, text-supported inference

## Slide 4: Guided Practice: Making Valid Inferences

ID: slide\_04

Type: guided\_example

Duration: 360 seconds

## Slide 5: Your Turn: Inference Practice

ID: slide\_05

Type: independent\_practice

Duration: 300 seconds

## Slide 6: Avoiding Inference Traps

ID: slide\_06

Type: skill\_application

Duration: 420 seconds

### Common SAT Inference Traps

Learn to recognize and avoid the most common mistakes in inference questions, based on College Board patterns.

## Slide 7: Mastery Summary & Practice Transition

ID: slide\_07

Type: concept\_reinforcement

Duration: 240 seconds

### Inference Skills Mastery

## Slide 8: Quick Inference Check

ID: slide\_08

Type: mastery\_check

Duration: 0 seconds