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# **Worksheet: Drawing Conclusions**

When you read you must search for clues to help you, much like a detective looking for clues. You use what is in the text and your prior knowledge to come to a conclusion. Conclusions can also be drawn when you look at illustrations or pictures alongside a text.

Study the following passages and consider all the facts to draw a valid conclusion.

### **QUESTION 1**

What conclusions can you draw about dogs?

Dogs help man to track criminals and drugs. They assist in transporting goods and people in cold regions. They also provide companionship for the blind and are used as their "seeing eyes".



	Many people favourite pets are dogs
0	Dogs are the smartest animals.
	Dogs are very useful.

Dogs can do anything.

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## **QUESTION 2**

What conclusion can you draw about the Cricket and the ant?

During the summer days the Ant worked and stored food for the cold winter. The cricket danced, sang, and played all summer long. In spite of being warned by the Ant, the Cricket did not gather and store food for the winter. Soon the summer days were over. The days grew colder until it began to snow. The ground was covered with snow, the trees were bare, and the food was scarce. The Ant was snug in his home with enough food to last him throughout the winter. The Cricket was cold and hungry and desperately looking for food.



- The Cricket did not care to plan ahead.
- The Ant was very selfish.
- The Ant was smarter than the Cricket.
- The Cricket could starve without food.

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#### QUESTION 3.

What conclusion can you draw based on the fact in this passage.

A family all experience diarrhea during the day. The family inquired on what may have caused it. During the inquiry, they discovered they all ate the fried fish purchased earlier in the day. The mother had shared the food that day. She was the last to get diarrhea and the last to recover. She had also eaten the only serving of salad that came with the fish.



- The mother contaminated the food.
- The salad was contaminated.
- They family recovered by late evening.
- The fast food that sold the food was not careful when preparing the meals.

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# **QUESTION 4**

What conclusion can you draw based on the fact in this passage.

First, I cut two identical pieces of bread and placed each piece in a petri-dish. Next, I poured five milliliters of water on each piece of bread. After ten minutes, I covered each petri-dish with transparent plastic. I placed one dish in the refrigerator and the other in a dark cupboard. Three days later I looked at the bread in the petri-dish. I observed that mould was growing on the bread in the cupboard, while the bread in the refrigerator appeared clean.





- Bread gets hard in the fridge.
- The cold keeps bread fresh.
- Mould grows the fastest in damp warm enclosures.
- Water makes bread gets soggy.

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# **Answers**

- 1. Dogs are very useful.
- 2. The cricket did not care to plan ahead.
- 3. The fast food that sold the food was not careful when preparing the meals.
- 4. Mould grows the fastest in damp warm enclosures