

Grade 4 English Language Arts  
Week of November 16 – November 20

**Lesson 3: Clues in Words**

Now that we have practiced using picture and character clues, we are going to try to infer using just words. The following 3 stories have no pictures. You will read the short stories and complete the next activity.



**What you need to do:**

As you read each story, answer the questions.

**Story 1:**

A woman finished reading a story and close the book. About 20 children got up from the carpet and went to a corner of the room. They began taking coats and hats off of hooks. After putting on their coats and hats, the children lined up.

What is this woman's job? What clues helped you infer that?

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Story 2:

A boy asked his mother for help getting some things off a shelf. She took down some jars and brushes, and the boy brought them to the kitchen table. Next, he went to his mother's desk and took out blank sheet of paper. He put the piece of paper on the kitchen table. Finally, the boy filled up a cup of water and sat down at the table with all of these things.

What was this boy doing? What clues helped you infer that?

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Story 3:

A class of students walked with their teacher to a special room in their school. They sat down, and a woman came out to read them a story. After she read them the story, the children began looking around at the shelves of books. Each student chose one book. The children lined up, and the woman scanned their books using a special computer. When everyone was finished, the children left with their teacher, and the woman stayed in the room.

What is this woman's job? What clues helped you infer that?

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