

Clue Detectives

Teacher-led inference practice with spoken clues and simple marks.

1.6.F “make inferences and use evidence to support understanding with adult assistance;”

NAME _____

DATE _____

Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 WHAT MAY BE TRUE? _____

a	sleepy	hungry	wet
b	sunny	rain	bedtime
c	warm	rainy	cold

2 FIND THE CLUE _____

a	crumbs	cloud	shoe
b	pillow	pencil	puddle
c	laugh	yawn	jump

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each short clue aloud, then give students time to think before they circle. Students make an inference by using a clue to figure out what may be true, then they identify a clue that supports an idea.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • WHAT MAY BE TRUE?

SAY “Listen to each clue. I will read the three words in the row. What may be true? Circle the word that fits the clues.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Nia yawns twice and rubs her eyes. Read the words: sleepy, hungry, wet. What may Nia feel? Circle the word that fits.	sleepy
b	Omar hears thunder and sees dark clouds. Read the words: sunny, rain, bedtime. What may happen soon? Circle the word that fits.	rain
c	Lee wears a coat and scarf. Lee's breath makes a little cloud. Read the words: warm, rainy, cold. What is the weather like? Circle the word that fits.	cold

PART 2 • FIND THE CLUE

SAY “Now listen for a clue that supports an idea. I will read the words in each row. Which word is the best clue? Circle it.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	We think someone ate a snack. Read the words: crumbs, cloud, shoe. Which word is the best clue? Circle it.	crumbs
b	We think it rained. Read the words: pillow, pencil, puddle. Which word is the best clue? Circle it.	puddle
c	We think a child is tired. Read the words: laugh, yawn, jump. Which word is the best clue? Circle it.	yawn

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Part 1 answers are sleepy, rain, and cold. Part 2 answers are crumbs, puddle, and yawn. Accept a clearly circled intended word.