

Inference example

Refusing her offer to carry his case – he was perfectly capable of that himself – Rio followed her towards the exit where, in the parking zone, she halted by a 4x4 covered in a thick coating of dust.

Question: What can you infer about Rio's grandma from this extract?

Answer: Rio's grandma doesn't tend to go out in her car very much because her 4x4 (car) was 'covered in a thick coating of dust.' This suggests that she doesn't use her car very much as objects collect dust when they are not used frequently. This may imply that she likes to spend her time at home.

Year 4 Comprehension

- 1) Find and copy the phrase that the writer has used to prove that the Great Barrier Reef is so large.
- 2) What does "watery wonderland of life and colour" make you think of the Great Barrier Reef?
- 3) What is your impression of the sea anemone?
- 4) Find two synonyms for the word "striking" in the text.
- 5) What do the words "clever suit of armour" make you think of the clownfish's slime?
- 6) Why do the clownfish and sea anemone have a good relationship?
- 7) Find a synonym for the phrase "dries up" in the text