Making Inferences Planner Title: Scout’s Honor

Handout 4

CPQ: What lesson do the three boys learn about being tough?

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| P# | Statement |  | Text Clues | Background Knowledge |
| 362 | Going on an overnight in the country is tough. | * In the text

 (direct)* In my head (inference)
 | “The third requirement, Scout Craft, meant I had to go on an overnight hike in the *country*. In other words, I had to leave Brooklyn, on my own, for the first time in my life.” | I know that when I have to leave my home for the first time, it can be tough on whatever place I’m moving to, or staying at. I am not familiar with the new environment. |
|  364 | When you are in competition with your friends you always want to be number 1. | * In the text

 (direct)* In my head (inference)
 | “I wasn't sure why, but being best friends meant we were rivals too. One of the reasons for my wanting to be tougher was a feeling that Horse was a lot tougher than I was, and that Max was a little tougher” | When I know that my two friends are tougher than me and we are in competition, I am always going to want to show that I am toughest. |
|  365 | Going to the country is not an easy task, you really have to be tough. | * In the text

 (direct)* In my head (inference)
 | “The way they agreed made me nervous. Now I really was going to have to be tough.” | I know that when I am nervous that my friends agree to do something that requires a person to be tough, I better not mess up. |
|  366 | The main character came with simple things to carry and will have an easier time toughing it out. | * In the text

 (direct)* In my head (inference)
 | “I got there first. Stuffed in my dad’s army surplus knapsack was a blanket, a pillow, and a paper bag with three white-bread peanut butter-and-jelly sandwiches—that is, lunch, supper, and Sunday breakfast. My pockets were full of stick matches. I had an old flashlight, and since I lived by the Scout motto—Be Prepared—I had brought along an umbrella. Finally, being a serious reader, I had the latest Marvel Family comics.” | I know that if I am going to “tough it out”, I am not going to bring a lot of heavy things, but light portable equipment. |
| 366 | Having to carry a lot of things made the experience tough for the 3 friends. | * In the text

 (direct)* In my head (inference)
 | “The place we wanted to go (north) was at the top of the map, so I had to hoist Horse onto my shoulders for a closer look. Since he refused to let go of his mattress—or the tin cans in his pockets—it wasn't easy. I asked him—in a kindly fashion—to put the mattress down.” | I know from experience that when a person brings a lot of things on the trip it is tough for them to move from one place to another without leaving something behind. |
| 367 | Max had a tough time being tough and they aren’t even in the country. | * In the text

 (direct)* In my head (inference)
 | “There was Max. All around him—like fake snow in a glass ball—were crumbs. He'd been so nervous he had eaten all his crackers.“Didn't that make you thirsty?”“I drank my soda.”I noticed streaks down his cheeks. Horse noticed them too. “You been crying?” he asked.” | I know that when I get nervous, I am not having a good time and start to eat and I am not toughing it out. |
| 367 | Not being able to eat can food can be tough without a can opener. | * In the text

 (direct)* In my head (inference)
 | “During the ride, I got hungry. I pulled out one of my sandwiches. With the jelly soaked through the bread, it looked like a limp scab. Horse, envious, complained he was getting hungry.“Eat some of your canned beans,” I suggested. He got out one can without ripping his pocket too badly. Then his face took on a mournful look.“What’s the matter?” I asked.“Forgot to bring a can opener.” | I know that when I have can food and I’m hungry and I don’t have a can opener, I can find the situation to be tough. |
| 367 | Having to stop every few seconds in the dark, the three boys found it tough to get to their destination. | * In the text

 (direct)* In my head (inference)
 | “few paces, Horse cried, “Hold it!” and adjusted his arms around his mattress.” | I know that when I take something heavy and have to keep stopping it makes the trip difficult. |
| 368 |  |  | About then, the heel of my left foot, encased in a heavy rubber boot over an earth-crushing Buster Brown shoe, started to get sore. |  |
| 371 |  |  | The next second, he tripped and took off like an F-36 lighter plane. Unfortunately, he landed like a Hell-cat dive-bomber as his mattress unspooled before him and then slammed into a big puddle. |  |
| 371 |  |  | I said, “Let's find a decent place, make camp, and eat.” It was hard to find a campsite that didn’t have junk. The growing dark didn’t help. We had to settle for the place that had the least amount of garbage. |  |
| 371 |  |  | Seeing a tree they wanted, Max whacked at it. The hatchet bounced right out of his hand. There was not even a dent in the tree. Horse retrieved the hatchet and checked the blade. “Dull,” he said. |  |
|  |  |  | Before we split up to go to our own homes, we just stood there on a street corner, embarrassed, trying to figure out how to end the day gracefully. I was the one who said, “Okay, I admit it. I’m not as tough as you guys. I gave up first.”Max shook his head. “Naw. I wanted to quit, but I wasn’t tough enough to do it.” He looked to Horse.Horse made a fist. “You saying I’m the one who`s tough?” he demanded. “I hate roughing it!”“Me too,” I said quickly.“Same for me,” Max said.Horse said, “Only thing is, we just have to promise not to tell Mr. Brenkman.” |  |