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.” |  |