

Detective Pip's Inference Investigation

Learning objective: To make inferences about a character's feelings and environment based on visual clues.

Read the clues about Pip the caterpillar's day. Use these clues to draw the scene in the box below. After you draw, answer the questions to explain what you inferred.

Draw: Draw a large oak leaf in the centre of the page. Place Pip the caterpillar on the leaf, wearing a small, colourful knitted scarf. Show Pip holding a tiny magnifying glass and looking up at the sky. Include a petal with scribbles on it nearby. In the background, draw the garden looking slightly windy (maybe some leaves blowing) and a dark, grey corner of the sky to show the changing weather. Use a detailed, storybook style.



Label words: cosy · anticipation · scraps · ink-stained · shelter · curiosity

Steps:

1. Based on the grey sky and the chilly breeze, what can you infer is about to happen in the garden? Why?
2. Look at Pip's expression. How is Pip feeling about the weather? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.
3. Why do you think Pip is wearing a scarf? What does this tell us about the temperature?
4. Label three things in your drawing that show Pip is a bookworm who loves writing.
5. If Pip were to speak right now, what might they say to themselves about the changing weather?