

Max the Monkey's Detective Task: What is Happening?

Learning objective: To use clues in a short sentence to make an inference about a character's feelings or actions.

Max the Monkey loves to solve puzzles. Read each short sentence carefully. Look at the clues to guess what is happening. Use the word bank to help you complete the sentences.

Word bank: happy · scared · tired · excited · hungry · worried

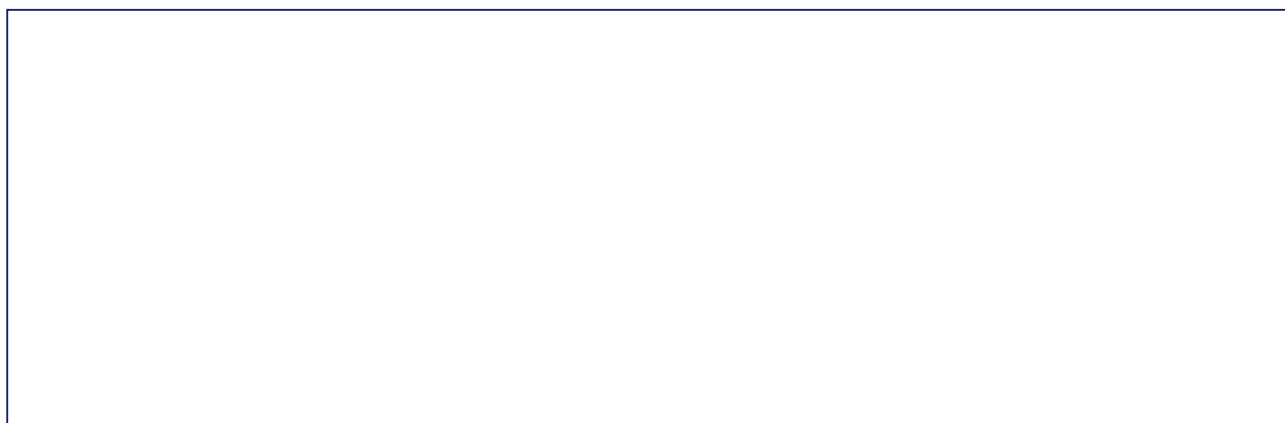
1. 1. Zara the zebra is bouncing up and down and clapping her hooves. She has a big smile on her face. How does Zara feel? Zara feels _____. (2 marks)

2. 2. Kit the fox is hiding behind a large tree. His ears are flat and he is shaking. How does Kit feel? Kit feels _____. (2 marks)

3. 3. Pip the caterpillar has been reading books all day. Now, he is closing his eyes and letting out a long yawn. How does Pip feel? Pip feels _____. (2 marks)

4. 4. Ellie the elephant is looking at her empty lunch box. Her tummy is making a loud rumbling noise. How does Ellie feel? Ellie feels _____. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of one of the characters from the questions showing how they feel. For example, draw Zara smiling and bouncing!



Extension challenge: Choose one character from the list above. Write one new sentence about what they might do next. For example: 'Because Zara is excited, she will start to dance.'