An **inference** is a conclusion you draw based on evidence in a reading passage. Read each paragraph and find the inference and underline how you know.

1) Avery watched as her new next-door neighbors moved in. She observed a tall man carrying a bicycle and a kayak into the garage. She also saw a young woman carrying a surfboard through the front door.

You can infer that……

A) Her new neighbors are elderly.

B) Her new neighbors like to spend time outdoors.

C) Her new neighbors are kind and generous.

2) When Joseph walked into the kitchen, he saw muddy paw prints on the floor. His mother's wet coat was hanging on a chair. Below the coat he spotted his mother's rubber shoes. Joseph looked for his dog, Riley. He found Riley, who was soaking wet, lying on the couch panting.

You can infer that……

A) His mother gave Riley a bath.

B) Riley dragged the coat outside.

C) His mother took Riley for a walk in the rain.

3) Kayla made a steak dinner for her family. Her mom and dad each ate two full steaks and had large helpings of mashed potatoes. When the meal was over, everyone's plate was empty.

You can infer that……

A) Her family enjoyed the meal.

B) The steak was too well done.

C) There will be a lot leftover.

4) Alexander arrived at his grandmother's house at ten o'clock at night. He saw her car in the driveway and the front door was open. The window was lit with a blue-flickering light.

You can infer that……

A) His grandmother was reading a book.

B) His grandmother was not home.

C) His grandmother was watch TV.