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. Maggie was getting ready to walk to school. She put on her coat and grabbed her backpack. As she was leaving, her mother said, "I love you. Be careful."

You can infer that……

A) Maggie is never late for school.

B) Maggie is in kindergarten or 1st grade.

C) Maggie lives close to school.

2. Hudson hurried out of the house so he wasn't late for work. He wore overalls and carried a toolbox with wrenches in it, He hopped in his truck and drove off. The sign on his truck said, "Pipe Masters."

You can infer that……

A) Hudson works as a plumber.

B) Hudson is an auto mechanic.

C) Hudson enjoys his job.

3. Nicole came out of the elevator in her apartment building. She ran to the curb and held her arm to hail a taxi. When she hopped in, she said, "Please take me to 345 45th Street."

You can infer that……

A) Nicole is going shopping.

B) Nicole lives in a large city.

C) Nicole's car is broke.

4. Everett held his father's hand as he crossed the busy parking lot. They walked into the grocery store. Everett's dad lifted him into the seat of the shopping cart. "here", said dad, "You can hold the shopping list."

You can infer that……

A) Everett's dad needs help in the kitchen.

B) Everette had never been to a grocery store.

C) Everette is very young.