Inferences

An inference is a conclusion you draw based on evidence in a reading passage.
Read each paragraph and answer the inference question that follows.

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 in kindergarten or first grade.
b. Maggie lives close to school.
c. Maggie is never late for school.
d. Maggie is excited about going to school.

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 is an auto mechanic.
b. Hudson enjoys his job.
c. Hudson works as a plumber.
d. Hudson is a truck salesman.

Nicole came out of the elevator in her apartment building. She ran to the curb and held up 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's car is broken.
b. Nicole is going on vacation.
c. Nicole is going shopping.
d. Nicole lives in a large city.

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

You can infer that...

a. Everett had never been to a grocery store.
b. Everett's dad does not shop often.
c. Everett's dad needs help with the shopping.
d. Everett is very young.

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