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Draw Conclusions

- **Drawing conclusions** is forming an opinion or idea based on what you already know combined with the facts and details in a text. Facts and details are the small pieces of information in an article or story.
- Facts and details “add up” to a conclusion. Conclusions formed by the author or by the reader must make logical sense according to the facts and details in the text.

Directions Read the following passage. Then answer the questions below.

On a sunny afternoon while his brothers and sisters were outside playing, Martin stayed in his room. On the bed in front of him was a book about planets and stars. His room looked like something from outer space. The ceiling and walls were covered with stars. In one corner of the room was a shelf covered with books about space. In another corner was a collection

of models Martin had built—spaceships, space stations, and robots.

Soon he heard a knock at the door. His youngest brother was asking him to come outside and play. “Martin,” he said, “it’s no fun without you.” Martin smiled and looked at his cast. “One more week,” he told his brother. “Then, the doctor says, I can play outside.”

1. What conclusion can you draw about Martin’s interests?

2. What is one detail or fact that supports this conclusion?

3. What is one conclusion you can draw about why Martin is inside reading?