Inference With Text Evidence

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet - Challenge Me

Name _____ Date _____

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Text 5: The next morning, Owen stood at the edge of the lake with a paddle almost as tall as he was. The canoe wobbled when he stepped in, and he grabbed both sides. Dev called out, "Lean low and stay calm!"

Text 6: By lunch, he could steer around the orange buoy without bumping it. He looked back at the dock, where Dev gave him a thumbs-up. Owen waved his paddle in the air.

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   - He brought the most flashlights.
   - He is not ready to settle in yet.
   - He has been to camp many times.
   - He is the loudest boy in the cabin.

2. Use Text 2. Why does Owen blink hard?
   - He is trying not to cry.
   - The cabin lights are too bright.
   - He is about to fall asleep.
   - He has dust in his eye.

3. Use Text 3. Why does Dev share his own story?
   - to show Owen the sad feeling passes
   - to tell Owen to stop crying now
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I learned to paddle a canoe
Dev nodded and grinned.
"You cried?" he asked.
Owen rolled out his sleeping bag.

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bored and sleepy calm and sure angry and loud unsteady and nervous

6. Use Text 6. What does Dev's thumbs-up mean?
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Dev wants Owen to come back.
Dev is pointing at the sky.
Dev thinks Owen is doing well.

7. Use Text 7. What does Owen's letter show about his feelings?
He is enjoying camp more than he expected.
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He is still too sad to have fun.
He forgot all about his dog.

8. Use Text 8. Why does Owen know that sound?
He heard it on the radio.
He has a little brother at home.
He felt the same way on his first night.
He has a cold too.

9. Use Text 9. Which clue shows Owen is helping the way Dev helped him?
Owen pulled his blanket over his head
"First night is the hardest," he said
a new camper was sniffling
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10. Use Text 10. How has Owen changed since the first night?
He went from homesick to confident.
He went from happy to homesick.
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