

Lesson 23 • Songbird

Name _____

Making Inferences

To make inferences while reading, we have to use clues in the text.

The clues help us find the answers that are hiding in the text.

Read the passage.

Happy Birds

Lots of cages hung in the trees.
Grandpa hung Yan's cage with the others.

There were lots of grandpas and lots of songbirds. All the birds whistled.
The air was full of whistles. Grandpa sat on a bench and whistled too.
Yan liked to sing with the other birds. Grandpa liked to whistle with the other grandpas.

Circle

who was in
the park

Underline

where the
cages hung

Box

what the
birds did at
the park

STAR

what the
grandpas did
at the park

Colour the correct answer for each question.

1 **How** did the birds feel about going the park?

- ☐ scared ☐ angry ☐ confused ☐ happy

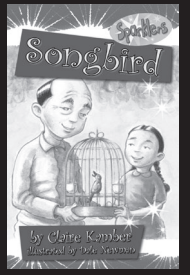
2 Which **clues** tell you this?

- ☐ Lots of cages hung in the trees. ☐ Yan liked to sing with the other birds.
☐ All the birds whistled. ☐ Grandpa hung Yan's cage with the others.

3 What **inference** can we make about the birds?

- ☐ Birds sing when they are happy. ☐ Birds like being in cages at the park.
☐ Birds are good for grandpas. ☐ Birds shouldn't be kept in cages.

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Circle

the **colours** of
the birds

Box

how the birds
sing

Dear Grandpa,

The birds in Australia have bright feathers. Some are gray and pink. Others are white and wear yellow hats. They all sing very loudly.

I wish you could hear the birds, Grandpa. They are happy birds. I am sure Yan would be happy in Australia. You would be happy too.

I miss going to the park with you, Grandpa.

Love, Ling

Underline**what** Ling
wants

STAR

what Ling
misses1 **How** did Ling feel about Australian birds? _____

2 Which **clue** tells you? _____

3 We can **infer** that the Ling wanted to see her grandpa. What is the **clue**?

4 What can we **infer** about what Ling would like Grandpa to do? _____
