Making Inferences 2-ANSWERS

Directions: Read each passage and then respond to the questions. Each question will ask you to make a logical inference based on textual details. Explain your answer by referencing the text.

Kyle ran into his house, slamming the door behind him. He threw his book bag on the floor and plopped on the couch. After six hours of playing *Grand Larceny VII*, he ate some pizza and fell asleep with a slice in on his belly and his feet on his book bag. When Kyle came home from school the next day, he was noticeably distraught. He balled up his report card and placed it inside of a soup can in the garbage. He then flipped the soup can upside down and relocated garbage from other parts of the can, arranging over the soup can. He then plopped down on the couch and picked up his controller.

1. Why is Kyle distraught? **He probably got bad grades.**

   How do you know this?

   **He balls up his report card and hides it.**

2. Why does Kyle put the report card in a soup can? **He is trying to dispose of the evidence / He doesn't want anyone to find out.**

   How do you know this?

   **He goes through great lengths to conceal the report card. He seems to feel better after it is disposed of in this particular fashion.**

3. Was Kyle's report card good or bad and why was it like that? **Kyle's report card was probably bad because he plays too many video games.**

   How do you know this?
I know this because in the text he plays video games for six hours and sleeps with his feet on his book bag. He is not even opening the book bag.

Anastasia sat by the fountain in the park with her head in her palms. She was weeping mournfully and wearing all black. In between gasps and sobs, Anastasia cried out a name: "Oh... John..." And then her cell phone beeped. Her hand ran into her purse and her heart fluttered. The text message was from John. She opened up the message and read the few bare words, "I need to get my jacket back from you." Anastasia threw her head into her arms and continued sobbing.

4. What relationship do John and Anastasia have? **John and Anastasia are boyfriend and girlfriend.**

   Why do you feel this way?

   They appear to be going through a non-mutual break-up.

5. Why is Anastasia sad? John and She are breaking-up.

   How do you know this?

   John wants to get his belongings back.

Cassie rolled over in her bed as she felt the sunlight hit her face. The beams were warming the back of her neck when she slowly realized that it was a Thursday, and she felt a little too good for a Thursday. Struggling to open her eyes, she looked up at the clock. "9:48," she shouted, "Holy cow!" Cassie jumped out of bed, threw on the first outfit that she grabbed, brushed her teeth in two swipes, threw her books into her backpack, and then ran out the door.

6. What problem is Cassie having? **Cassie is late for school.**

   How do you know this?

   She grabs her books.

7. Where is Cassie going? **School**
Kelvin was waiting in front of the corner store at 3:56. His muscles were tense and he was sweating a bit more than usual. The other kids gathered in front of the little storefront were much more relaxed, even playful. They joked back and forth lightly to each other but for Kelvin, time slowed. 3:57. "Don't worry, Kelvin. He ain't even gonna show up." Kelvin hoped that he wouldn't. A black four-door Camry with tinted windows pulled up and parked across the street. Kelvin gulped. 3:58. A group of teenagers piled out of the car. James was in the front. "Hi-ya, Kelvin. Glad you could make it," James said. Kelvin felt smaller.

8. Why is Kelvin waiting at the corner store? **He's going to fight James.**

**How do you know this?**

**Kelvin is nervous and he hopes that James won't come.**

9. Are James and Kelvin friends? **No, they are not.**

**What in the text supports your idea?**

**They seem to be supported by two separate crews that are facing off.**

10. Why is Kelvin so nervous? **Kelvin doesn't want to fight or is worried about the fight.**

**What in the text supports your idea?**

**He hopes that James won't show.**