

Making Inferences About Feelings

An *inference* is a conclusion you draw based on your own reasoning and evidence found in a story.

POSSIBLE ANSWERS

SECTION 1 & 2: Student drawings and answers will vary.

Section 2: Complete each sentence to describe your own feelings.

I feel **angry** when _____.

I feel **excited** when _____.

I feel **guilty** when _____.

Section 3: Use clues in each sentence to determine what the person is feeling.

Sasha is smiling and holding up her trophy. proud

Fahzia is rolling her eyes and sighing. annoyed

Tony is frowning and hanging his head down low. disappointed

Section 4: Read the short story and make an inference about how each character was feeling.

It was a sunny, summer afternoon. Marisol and Sanjeev were playing soccer at the park. They were laughing and talking cheerfully to each other as they kicked the ball. But soon their game was interrupted. A younger kid named Neela asked them if she could play too. Marisol groaned and frowned at Neela. "We don't have room for you," she said. Neela looked at the ground and shrugged her shoulders. "Okay," she said softly as a tear ran down her cheek. Sanjeev saw how upset Neela was and he suddenly felt bad for her. "You could be the goalie!" Sanjeev suggested. Neela smiled and agreed.

1. I think **Marisol** felt annoyed because, in the story it said that

she groaned and frowned at Neela.

2. I think **Neela** felt disappointed because, in the story it said that

she looked at the ground and shrugged her shoulders/a tear ran down her cheek.

3. I think **Sanjeev** felt guilty because, in the story it said that

he saw how upset Neela was and he suddenly felt bad for her.