

It Says - I Say - and So

Reading Strategies: Making Inferences, making Connections, and Synthesizing.

Helps students by guiding them through the process of drawing inferences from the written text. Also, it provides an opportunity to synthesize the information with their prior knowledge.

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<u>Example:</u> <i>Why did Goldilocks break Baby Bear's chair.</i>	<i>It says she sits in the baby chair but she is not a baby. She is a young girl.</i>	<i>Baby chairs aren't very big. They're for babies, but she is bigger, so she weighs more.</i>	<i>So, she is too heavy for it, and it breaks.</i>
<u>Example:</u> <i>Six students share a pizza equally. The pizza has a diameter of 26 cm. What is the area of each slice?</i>	<i>It says that the pizza slices are equal and the diameter is 26 cm.</i>	<i>I know that the radius is half the size of the diameter. I also know a formula that will help with finding the area of a circle – then I will have to divide it by 6.</i>	$\text{Area of a circle} = \pi r^2$ $A = 3.14 (13)^2$ $A = 3.14 (169)$ $A = 530.66$ $530.66 / 6 = 88.44 \text{ cm}^2$
<u>Example:</u> <i>What does this quote from Beowulf mean today in our culture?</i>	<i>"Anyone with gumption and a sharp mind will take the measure of two things: what's said and what's done." Seamus Heaney</i>	<i>I know there is a difference in a person's words and their actions. I also know some people will say one thing and do another.</i>	<i>I believe that in today's world there are very few people that you can depend on to be true to their word unless they are your friends. If someone promises you something you better get it in writing or they might just be all 'talk' and no action. Trust only those that have proved to you their words and actions are the same.</i>

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The following graphic organizer helps you to find information in a text and put it together with what you already know to come up with a complete answer.

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