

# Making Inferences

**DIRECTIONS:** Read the passage and then respond to the questions. The questions will ask you to make a logical inference based on details in the text. Explain your answer by referencing the text on the lines provided.

John came running outside, his shoelaces untied, his shirt untucked, his half-unzipped backpack banging against his legs, spilling its contents in a trail between John’s house and the bus stop.

“You dropped your stuff,” Aaron said, when John arrived, breathless.

John turned and his face fell in dismay. He was just beginning to gather up his things when the bus arrived. Aaron climbed into the bus without looking back. John scrambled to collect the rest of his stuff. The bus driver honked the bus horn. John clutched his backpack and a few loose items against his chest and ran up into the bus.

The bus driver looked him up and down and chuckled.

“What’s gotten into you today?” she asked.

1. Which of the following is probably correct about John?

- a. John is always late.
  - b. John is always messy.
  - c. John is having a bad day.
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2. Does Aaron like John? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How would you characterize the bus driver?

- a. Friendly
  - b. Impatient
  - c. Sullen
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