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Reading Between the Lines

To **infer** something is to draw a conclusion by evaluating the facts presented to you. For example, in a story where humans live on many planets besides Earth, you might infer that the setting is in the future. To make an **educated inference**, you must consider all the information carefully.

Directions: Answer the questions below to make inferences about the excerpt from *Breaking Through*.

1. Does the story take place in the present day? _____

How do you know? What are the clues? _____

2. Will Frankie's impersonation of Elvis be successful? _____

How do you know? What are the clues? _____

3. Do you think Frankie's successful impersonation of Elvis will make him feel less alone? _____

Why or why not? _____

4. What kind of relationship do you think Frankie and his brother Roberto have? _____

Why? _____

5. How do you think Frankie felt about being a good math student? _____
