

Nothing Is As It Seems

Fact
Inference
Theme



Facts & Opinions

- **Something that actually exists, or something that can be verified according to an established standard of evaluation**
- **True Statements**



Facts and Opinion

A parent drove by a school, saw a teacher throwing her students out the window, and called the local news. On the evening news, it was reported, “Teacher caught throwing students out school window.”

Is this a fact?

Inference

Inference is the act or process of deriving a conclusion based solely on what one already knows.



Inference

Tommy and John were hot and sweaty as they sat outside the principal's office. Dirt smeared both of their faces, and they could hear their teacher's voice as she gave Mr. Jones her account of what had happened. Tommy snared at John, and John returned the angry glare. As Miss Brown left Mr. Jones' office, the boys hung their heads so they wouldn't have to look her in the eye.

Theme

- **A theme is a broad idea in a story, a message, a lesson or a picture**
- **Themes are usually implied rather than explicitly stated**



Theme

**What is
the theme
of this
picture?**



Fact, Inference, Theme

- 1. What facts in the graphic are directly stated?**
- 2. What can we infer from this information?**
- 3. What are some facts that could have been omitted from the graphic that could change what we infer?**
- 4. What is the theme of this picture?**



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- **As a group analyze the graphic by answering the following questions:**
 - **What facts in the graphic are directly stated?**
 - **What can we infer from this information?**
 - **What are some facts that could have been omitted from the graphic that could change what we infer?**
 - **What is the theme of this picture?**
- **Present findings by placing the graphic on the elmo for the rest of the class to see and by discussing the findings.**