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Making Inferences

Making an inference means using clues from the text to reach a conclusion.

Directions: Read "Dear Future," then make inferences to answer the questions below. We answered the first question for you.

1. How does James feel when he sees the Ray Bradbury book?

He is embarrassed and ashamed. He remembers when he blurted something out in class about a Bradbury story only to be told that the class had finished discussing it 10 minutes earlier.

Explain how you know. *James refers to the book as "mocking me," and pales "as everything comes flooding back." Recalling how his classmates laughed at him, he says, "I think my heart stopped beating."*

2. What is it about Annie's journal that James finds so interesting?

Explain how you know. _____

3. What does James learn from his conversations with Annie and with his parents?

Explain how you know. _____

