KEY into inference

PARAGRAPHS  non-fiction

Inference is not said directly
Look for the KEY words
Answers must come from information in the story  Consider writer's intent

PRACTISE

ITEM 30
The streets of the world's biggest cities are usually crowded. Visitors who come from small places often find these cities very noisy. They are often amazed at the height of many of the buildings.

a. Why are these big cities noisy?

b. What are the buildings probably like in the towns the visitors come from?

ITEM 31
A new book in the library is the highly recommended Woodcarving Made Easy. It is designed for those who have an interest in taking up this pastime. This book is packed with ideas on what to do and how to do it. Each page includes drawings and photos that show clear, step by step methods for being successful from the start.

a. Would people who were good at woodcarving read this book? How do you know that?

b. Would you have to be a good reader to enjoy this book? How do you know that?

ITEM 32
Cassie's maths investigation was to find out what students had for lunch at school. She discovered that those who didn't buy their lunch, mostly had sandwiches. What was amazing was that in the whole class there were only two kinds of filling for the sandwiches - cheese, and ham and lettuce. The cheese was least popular.

a. Did Cassie work alone? How do you know that?

b. Did everyone bring their lunch from home? How do you know that?

c. What was the most popular sandwich filling?