

Week 8

Infer

Word Class: Verb

Meaning: to form an opinion from available information

| Etymology (origins) | Latin 1520s 'inferre' General sense of 'draw a conclusion' or process of reasoning | |
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| | Infer- <i>"to form an opinion from available information."</i> | -red -ring -ence -ential |

Example: 1. You can **infer** the meaning of the word from the context of the rest of the sentence.

2. From this we may **infer** that photosynthesis has taken place.

3. It could be **inferred** that the speaker in the poem was depressed.

4. This is **inferred** because earth has a gravitational pull.

5. I don't like what your **inferring** about my behaviour.

6. Are you **inferring** I'm guilty?

7. Specifically show me the available information for that **inferential** judgement.

8. There is **inferential** evidence that shows a rich vocabulary aids future success amongst young people.

