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How do I read between the lines?



When the answers aren't "right there," good readers read between the lines to draw conclusions based on background knowledge and clues in the text.

Ask yourself questions about the text:

- · I wonder why...
- I wonder how...
- · I wonder if...

Find information from the text that might be clues to the answers.

Think about what you already know. What does your background knowledge tell you about these clues?

 Since it's cold and icy, I wonder if the story is taking place in the mountains?

Use the clues and your background knowledge for possible answers to your original questions.