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Making Inferences

Making an inference means using clues from the text to figure out something the author doesn't tell you directly.

Directions: Answer the questions or follow the directions that appear in italics to fill in the chart. We completed the first row for you.

Clues	Inference
<p>1. On pages 25 and 26, Astra says:</p> <p>"When Oma got sick last year, I found it impossible to imagine living in a world without her." (p. 25)</p> <p>"The only time I felt like myself was when I was in the ag module with Oma." (p. 26)</p> <p>"But after she died, I just couldn't bring myself to go to the ag module anymore." (p. 26)</p>	<p><i>What do these lines suggest about the relationship between Astra and Oma?</i></p> <p>You can infer from these lines that Astra and Oma were very close and that Astra misses Oma a lot.</p>
<p>2. <i>Find two lines in the story that support the inference on the right.</i></p>	<p>Astra admires Rio.</p>
<p>3. On page 26, a holo drive projects an image of a mysterious woman to Astra:</p> <p>"Her eyes were red-rimmed and haunted, and her cheeks were hollow. Her hair was dirty, and there was an ugly scratch on her cheek. She wore a rumpled regulation jumpsuit."</p>	<p><i>What can you infer about the woman in the hologram from this description?</i></p>

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<p>4. Find two lines in the story that support the inference on the right.</p>	<p>Astra lacks confidence.</p>
<p>5. On page 29, after Astra finds out that the seedlings she destroyed were infected and that she saved everyone on the ship, she says:</p> <p>"I wrapped the scarf around my neck and thought of Oma in her garden, of what she'd say to me if only I could tell her what I'd done."</p>	<p><i>Based on what the story reveals about Oma, what might Oma have said to Astra?</i></p>