

# INFERRED OR EXPLICIT

Read the following passage and answer the questions.

Everyone on the street knew the old man who lived at number 15. More specifically, everyone knew that he was scary and strange. He would just peer out of the blinds with an evil look in his eye but never actually step out. One day, while the children were playing, Jack's ball bounced across the road and onto the old man's grass. "Just leave it!" whispered Ben. "But it's our only ball!" replied Jack. They stealthily crept onto the lawn, but just as they were about to retrieve the ball, the old man appeared on the porch and screamed, "GET OFF MY LAWN!" The boys jumped high at the sound and bolted back home. They never had the nerve to go back. To this day, the ball lies on the old man's lawn.

Question	Answer	Inferred/ explicit	Evidence/clue
Why did the boys decide to enter the old man's house?	They had lost their only ball.	explicit	"But it's our only ball!" replied Jack.
Where do you think the two boys were playing?			
How do you think the boys felt when the old man screamed at them?			

