The Portrait Reader
I can make inferences from information

Students can understand the steps to answer inferential questions based on things they see as well as things they read.

You can use the following questions in most art exhibits and also to examine pictures in Your classroom—including pictures your students draw.

Infer the traits of a character or person

**What can you tell about the kind of person it is from the picture?**

What in the picture helps you figure that out?

Infer the motive of a character or person.

**What do you think this person cares about?**

What do you see in the picture that tells you that about this person?

Infer the main idea.

**What do you think the main idea is of the picture?**

What in the picture gives you that idea?

Write a “word picture” of this person—describe the person.