**Inference:** An inference is an educated guess, or a guess based on evidence.

**Directions:** In “Abandoned Farmhouse,” the narrator made several inferences about the family that once lived in the farmhouse. Use his inferences to answer the following questions. Your answers will be your opinions, but they must be based on evidence from the text.

1. **Question:** How is the narrator able to reasonably infer the size of the man?

**What is your answer?** The narrator is able to infer that the man was large by looking at the size of his shoes.

**Why is that your answer?** Large people usually wear large shoes, so the narrator was able to use the size of that shoes as evidence to prove the size of the man.

**Find the words in the text that prove your answer and write them here:** “He was a big man, says the size of his shoes…” “…a tall man too, says the length of the bed…”

2. **Question:** How is the narrator able to reasonably infer that the man was religious?

**What is your answer?**

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3. **Question:** How is the narrator able to infer that the man was not a farmer?

**What is your answer?**

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4. **Question:** How is the narrator able to reasonably infer that the couple had a child?

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5. **Question:** How is the narrator able to reasonably infer that a woman lived in the house?

**What is your answer?**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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