

# INFERENCE LADDER

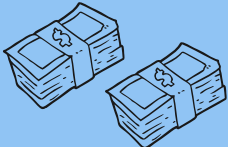
Text: \_\_\_\_\_ Inspector Calls \_\_\_\_\_  
Character/Theme: \_Sheila\_\_\_\_\_

## EXAMPLE

### STEP 3

- START BY ZOOMING IN ON A KEY WORD IN THE QUOTE.
- WHAT DOES THE WORD REPRESENT?
- THINK OF A KEY THEME/ MOTIF

### FIGURATIVE



- SINCE AN 'ASS' IS THOUGHT TO BE OF LOW INTELLIGENCE, IT COULD BE SEEN AS A METAPHOR FOR IGNORANCE.

- THUS, ERIC CAN BE SEEN AS A METAPHOR FOR THE IGNORANT RICH

### STEP 2

- NOW THINK ABOUT WHAT THE QUOTE ACTUALLY MEANS?
- WHO SAID IT?
- WHEN WAS IT SAID?
- WHEN IN THE PLOT DOES THIS QUOTE COME FROM?

### LITERAL



- SHEILA LAMBASTS ERIC FOR HIS IMMATURITY.

- AN 'ASS' IS A DONKEY WHICH IS THOUGHT TO BE OF LOW INTELLIGENCE

### STEP 1

- PICK A KEY QUOTE

### QUOTE...

"DON'T BE AN ASS, ERIC"  
(SHEILA)

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