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How I Arrived at a Conclusion

Instructions: Read each passage. Then answer the question by:

1. **Stating your conclusion**, and
2. **Explaining how you arrived at that conclusion** using evidence from the passage and your own reasoning.

Passage 1 - Ben walked into the classroom with his shoulders slouched. He dropped his backpack on the floor with a thud and didn't respond when his friend asked how his weekend was. During the entire class, he didn't say a word or make eye contact with anyone.

Question: What can you conclude about how Ben is feeling? Explain how you arrived at your conclusion.



Passage 2 - Kayla carefully measured each ingredient as she followed the cookie recipe. When the timer went off, she put on oven mitts, pulled out the tray, and smiled at the golden-brown cookies. She brought one to her grandmother, who gave her a thumbs-up after tasting it.

Question: What can you conclude about Kayla's approach to baking and how she feels about it? Explain how you reached your conclusion.

Passage 3 - During group work, Adam offered to take notes. He made sure everyone had a task and reminded the team of their deadline. When someone had a question, he offered to help and double-checked their progress.

Question: What can you conclude about Adam's role in the group? Explain how you arrived at your conclusion.