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## Ben's Rush

**Directions:** Read the short passage about Ben. Think about the **clues** in the passage. Use those clues and what you already know to draw a conclusion. Write your answer in a complete sentence.

Ben dropped his backpack on the table as soon as he got home. He quickly opened his math book and started scribbling answers. Every few minutes, he looked toward the kitchen where he smelled spaghetti cooking. His mom called, "Dinner will be ready soon!" Ben wrote even faster, tapping his pencil nervously.

**Question:** *Why do you think Ben is in such a hurry to finish his homework?*

