



## Essential Question

How do people figure things out?



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# What Do I Do Next?

When my family and I go biking, it's my job to figure out the best way to go. I use a map. It helps me imagine the best places to ride. Then we all talk about it.

- ▶ I also ask questions that help me decide what to do.
- ▶ There are many ways to figure things out.

## Talk About It



Think about how you decide what to do. Talk with a partner. Write down how you figure things out.

Figure It Out

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# Vocabulary

Use the picture and the sentence to talk with a partner about each word.



**bounce**

Keith likes to **bounce** a soccer ball off his head.

*How many times can you bounce a ball without stopping?*



**imagine**

Mandy likes to **imagine** what her dream house might look like.

*What do you imagine when you daydream?*



**inventor**

Thomas Edison was the **inventor** of the first light bulb.

*What does an inventor do?*



**observer**

Jason is a good **observer** and enjoys watching birds.

*Tell about a time when you were an observer at an event.*

# Poetry Words

## alliteration

“Poets paint precise pictures” is an example of **alliteration**.

Give another example of alliteration.

## free verse

Jeremy likes to write **free verse** poems because they don't need to rhyme.

What would you write a free verse poem about?

## limerick

Dan's **limerick** had five lines and made the class laugh.

How is a limerick different from other poems?

## rhyme

The words *cat* and *bat* **rhyme** because they end in the same sound.

Name two other words that rhyme.

## Your Turn

COLLABORATE



Pick three words. Then write three questions for your partner to answer.

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# Empanada Day

One bite of Abuelita's empanadas  
And my mouth purrs like a cat.

"Teach me," I beg and **bounce** on my feet,  
"Teach me to make this magical treat."

Abuelita smiles,

"Be an **observer**, watch and learn,  
Then you too can take a turn."



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**How do people figure things out?**

Read poems about different ways  
to figure things out.





She sets before me a ball of dough,  
Round and golden as the sun.  
My eyes wide as saucers, I watch and follow,  
Press circles flat as pancakes,  
Spoon on apple slices and nose-tickling spices,  
Seal it all in, a half-moon envelope of bliss.  
Together we write down every step  
As the empanadas bake and crisp in the oven,  
My stomach rumbling like a hungry bear.

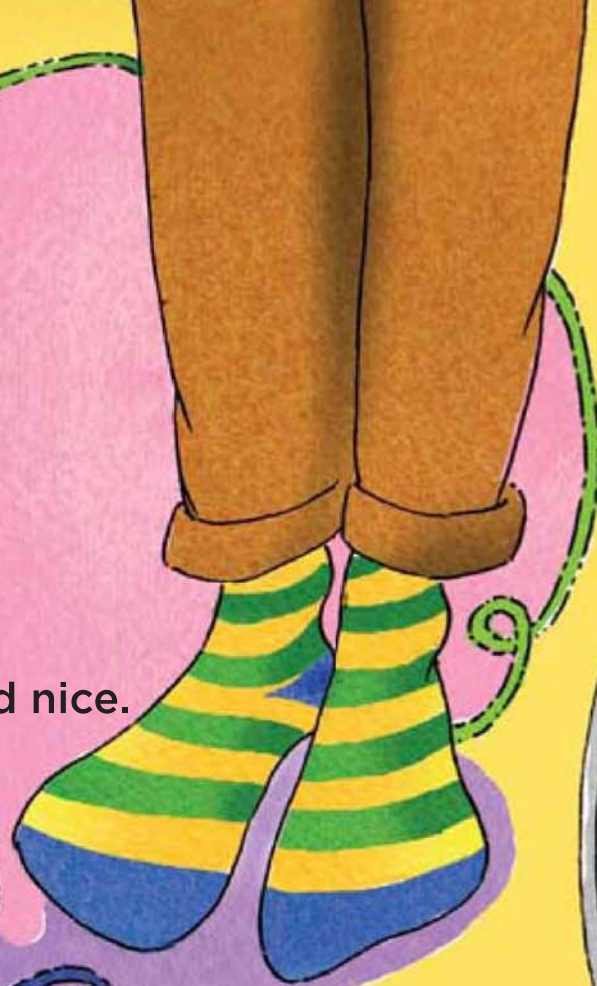
Ah, empanada day!

- *George Santiago*



# Cold Feet

An **inventor** with feet like ice,  
And toes like ten shivering mice,  
Looked at clothes, studied feet.  
Read about cold and heat,  
And knit the first socks, warm and nice.



## OUR WASHING MACHINE

Our washing machine is a bear  
That munches up socks by the pair.  
He will suds them and grumble  
As they spin, turn, and tumble,  
Then spit them out, ready to wear.



# Bugged

A creature has crawled on my knee,  
It's a bug green and round as a pea.  
His five wings are fish fins,  
He's got teeth sharp as pins.  
Just **imagine** him chomping on me!

I read every bug book I see,  
To learn what this creature might be.  
I ask scientists too,  
But they don't have a clue.  
So I'm bugged by this great mystery.

## Make Connections

What are different ways to figure things out? Talk about what happens in each poem.

### ESSENTIAL QUESTION

Which poem has the best way to solve a problem? **TEXT TO SELF**