

Generalize

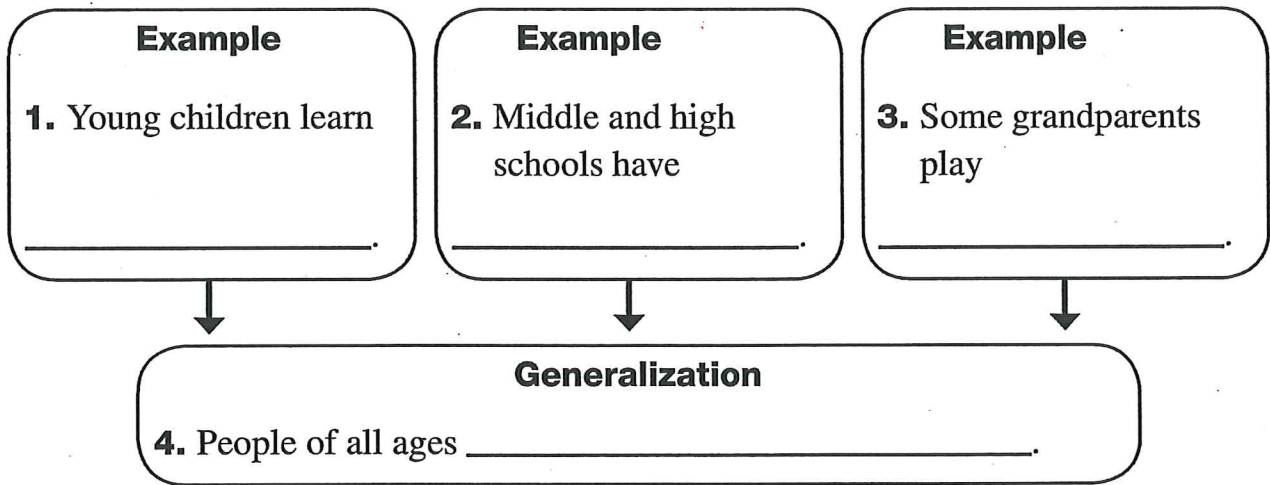
- When you read, you can sometimes make a general statement, or **generalization**, about individual ideas in the text.
- A generalization tells how ideas are mostly alike or all alike.

Directions Read the following passage.

<p>People of all ages can play basketball. Young children join sports clubs in their towns and learn how to dribble, pass, and shoot. Many middle schools and most high schools have basketball teams. College basketball is popular in many states, especially in the Midwest</p>	<p>where winters are long and cold. In cities, “pick-up games” are a good way for adults to show off their basketball skills. Even grandparents play basketball! It’s a good all-around sport and a fun way to meet people.</p>
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Directions Complete the chart to answer the question and make a generalization. Use the first sentence of the article to help you.

What does the article tell you about basketball?



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Home Activity Your child looked at individual ideas in an article and made a generalization. With your child, think of something else that people of all ages like to do. Make up a general statement about your idea, such as *People of all ages like to sing.*

Color Me Correct!

Read the sentences below. Color the ones that have correct generalizations.

Boys like
to play
with
dolls.

Children
love
homework.

Winter is
cold.

Recess is
fun for
kids.

Dogs like
cats.

Girls like
to dress
up.

Nurses
help sick
people.

People
don't feel
well when
they are
sick.

Children
should
watch
television
all day.

Leaves
change
color in
the fall.

People
don't like
to eat ice
cream.

Children
play with
toys.



Brown is the favorite color of girls.

Pink is the favorite color of girls.



Kids are afraid of heights.

Sarah is not afraid of heights.



Tim rides his bikes without wearing a helmet.

Kids wear helmets when riding their bikes.



The boys in Mrs. Davy's class like scary stories.

Zach likes scary stories.



Boris is a tall basketball player.

Basketball players are tall.



The students who live nearby walk to school.

Carmen walks to school.



The soccer team has fast runners.

Jessica is a fast runner.