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## Draw Conclusions • Ask Questions

- A **conclusion** is a decision you reach after you think about details and facts. Then think about **what you already know** to help **draw conclusions**.
- As you read, **ask yourself** why certain things happen or why characters act as they do. You may be able to **draw conclusions** about them.

**Directions** Read the following passage.

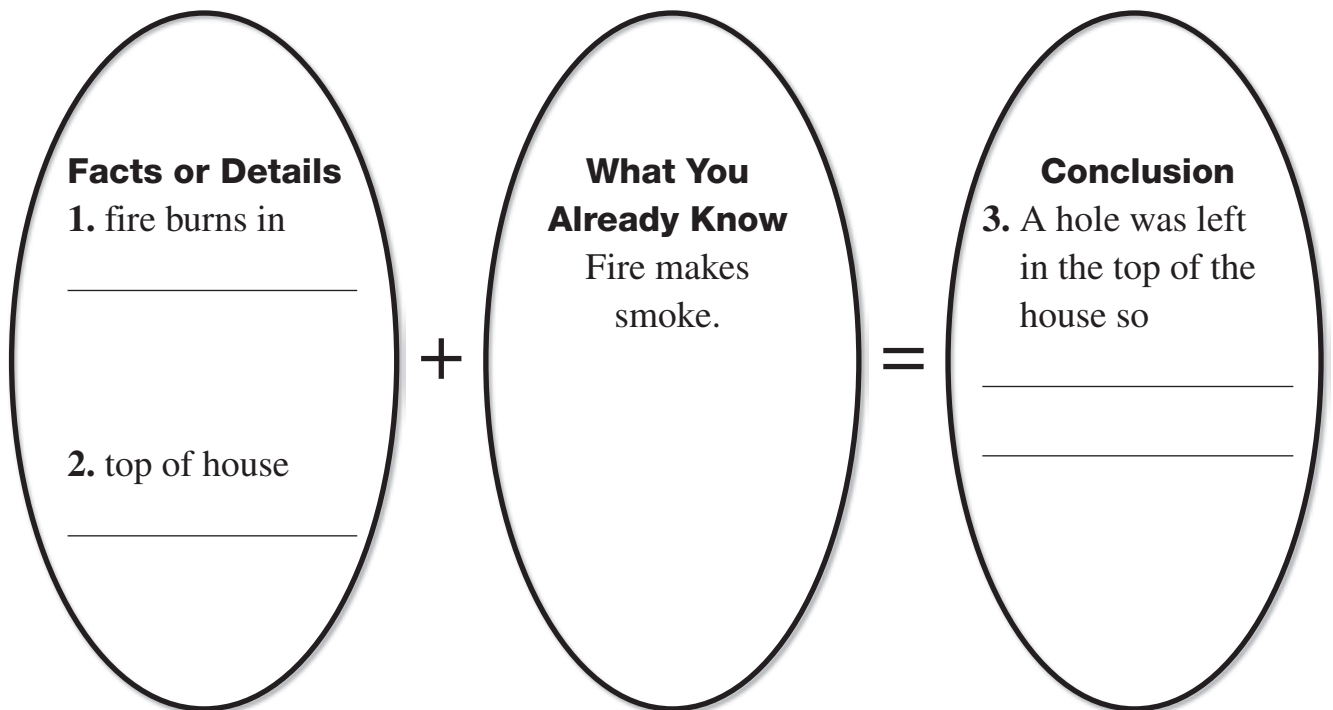
**T**he Chumash lived in California long before settlers came. They lived in huge round houses made from tule reeds.

First, the Chumash placed willow poles around a circle. Then they bent the poles and tied them together at the top. The people covered the poles with mats made

from reeds. A hole was left in the top of the house.

A house was 50 feet across. Aunts, uncles, and cousins all lived together in one house. A fire burned in the center pit. The rest of the space was divided into areas for each family.

**Directions** Complete the graphic organizer to draw a conclusion.



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**Home Activity** Your child used a graphic organizer to draw a conclusion. Authors don't tell the reader everything. Readers draw conclusions while they read to help them understand the story. Reread or retell the story "The Three Little Pigs." Ask your child to tell why each house except the brick house blew down. (They were not strong enough.)