

Name _____

Generalize

- When you read, you can sometimes make a **general statement** about what you have read.
- A **general statement** tells how some things are mostly alike or all alike.
- Look for examples. Ask what they have in common.

Directions Read the following passage. Then complete the diagram below to make a generalization.

I remember when I was a child. I loved to read books. I liked stories about girls who found lost pets. I loved stories about girls who sang at hospitals. I loved stories about girls who found lost children.

Mom always wanted me to donate my book collection to the library. But, I saved

all of my books.

Years later, I still had the books. My Mom’s birthday was coming soon. I sold the books to buy her a gift. She never knew how I paid for the special present she loved so much.

Example

1. **Girls who found lost pets**

Example

2. **Girls who sang at hospitals**

Example

3. **Girls who found lost children**

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4. **She liked stories about girls who helped others.**

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Home Activity Your child read a short passage that has examples from which a reader can make a generalization. Play a game with your child. Show your child three items and ask what they have in common. Have your child make a general statement about the items.