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Let's Infer  
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He clenches his fists and grits his teeth,  
I infer he's pretty mad.  
She wipes away a tear and sniffs,  
She must be feeling sad.

It doesn't just express it,  
It waits for you to guess it.  
An inference is needed.  
Let's infer!

He averts his eyes and looks at the ground,  
I infer this man's ashamed.  
It shows its claws and bares its teeth,  
This beast does not want to be tamed.

It doesn't just express it,  
It waits for you to guess it.  
An inference is needed.  
Let's infer!

He hides a knife in his pocket,  
That suggests he might be in a fight.  
She calls a cab for 3 A.M,  
She's planning to leave in the night.

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It waits for you to guess it.  
An inference is needed.  
Let's infer!

She presses both hands to her heart,  
She might be feeling joy.  
But now she shakes her head,  
I'll bet she's pining for some boy.  
It takes some reflection,  
And making a connection.

An inference is needed.  
Let's infer!