

Grade 8 English Home Language Worksheet

Implied meaning in sentences

Read the text below and explain the implied meaning of each of the underlined phrases:

John has not applied himself this term (1). He is rather disruptive in class (2) and needs to focus more on his work (3). If he does not make a real effort, he will not achieve the standard required. (4) A parent visit is advised (5). [5]

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Suggested Solutions

1. John is lazy/has done no work at all.
2. He is a nuisance/he is ruining the classes.
3. He is focusing on other children, on what is around him, on what is outside the classroom, but not on his work.
4. He will fail.
5. The teacher really wants to see the parents, probably to complain about John, but also to get their support. [5]