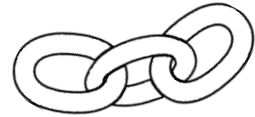


# Making Connections



Read the passage of text. Think about any connections you can make to yourself, to other books you've read, or things that have happened in the world.

## Gaming Dream

"Thanks!" Quin said excitedly as he hugged his aunt. His thoughts wandered as he held the bright red gift card in his hand. He knew exactly what he was going to buy. He was finally able to afford the Pro Gamers' Recording Kit.

"So, what are you going to get with it?" Jeremy's voice snapped Quin out of his daydream.

"Well, actually I think I'll buy a new gaming headset," Quin replied.

"I thought you already had one?" Jeremy asked.

"Uh, yeah, I do. It's just the sound quality's not so great anymore," said Quin. He felt himself beginning to blush. What he had said wasn't a lie, but it definitely wasn't the entire truth.

The main reason he wanted the PGR Kit was that he wanted to start recording his own gaming videos. He loved video games, and it was his dream to have a popular gaming channel. For this reason, he'd spent the past few months learning everything he could about video editing. All that he needed now was a quality microphone and camera set up.

Quin hadn't told anyone aside from his Mum about his idea. He preferred to keep this dream to himself. He imagined himself telling his friends one day, just not yet.



What connections were you able to make with this text?  
Think about the characters, the events, and the setting.

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Explain how making connections might support a reader's understanding of this text.

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