

VITAMIN-M

Investigate, Question and Judge

Name:

Class:

Date:

PRE-READING

Claim – Support – Question

"Elderly people become like children and need to be watched over."

Do you agree with this claim? Respond below.

Support: What have you seen or experienced that supports this claim?

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Question: What questions do you have about this claim?

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Keep your answer in mind — you'll revisit this claim after reading the story!

WHILE READING

CASE FILE — ENTRY 1

Grandpa Arrives in the City

Read the section where Grandpa moves in with Ravi's family, and Vidya first wishes for "Vitamin-M."

Evidence Log — Complete the table.

Question	Evidence from the text
What does "Vitamin-M" stand for, and who does Vidya think needs it?	
Why did Grandpa have to leave his village and move to the city?	

CASE FILE — ENTRY 2

Grandpa Insists on Going Out Alone

Read the section where Grandpa decides to go out by himself, despite his daughter's worry.

Evidence Log — Complete the table.

Question	Evidence from the text
Why is Vidya so worried about letting Grandpa go out alone?	
Why does Ravi decide to secretly follow Grandpa?	

Detective's Hunch: At this point, do you think Grandpa truly needs to be watched? Circle one.

☐ Yes, he seems unsafe ☐ No, he seems capable ☐ Not sure yet

CASE FILE — ENTRY 3

The Trail and the Trick

Read the section where Ravi trails Grandpa, and Grandpa cleverly gives him the slip.

Evidence Log — Complete the table.

Question	Evidence from the text
How exactly does Grandpa trick Ravi?	
What does this trick reveal about Grandpa's mind and awareness?	

CASE FILE — ENTRY 4

The Birthday Twist

Read the section describing Grandpa's birthday and how the story ends.

Evidence Log — Complete the table.

Question	Evidence from the text
What does Grandpa do for everyone on his own birthday?	
What surprising thing does Vidya forget?	

POST-READING

The Verdict

Based on all the evidence you collected, deliver your verdict.

Who really needed Vitamin-M in this story?

What evidence made you reach this verdict?

Revisit Your Claim

Go back to your Pre-Reading answer about elderly people needing to be watched over. Has the story changed your view? Why or why not?

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Case Closed: The Real Message

In one or two lines, what does this story teach us about how we treat elderly people?

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Exit Ticket

One elderly person in my own life who deserves more independence and respect is

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Case closed! You've completed your Reading Companion for Vitamin-M.

Keep this sheet safe — it's a great quick-revision tool before your exam.