



Touch the statement that best completes each sentence.

a) Another way of saying "anticipate consequences" is "Look before you leap!".



"Look before you leap!"

"Don't count your chickens before they hatch!"

"Two heads are better than one."

b) Jumping to conclusions is not a characteristic of a good critical thinker.



Planning ahead

Jumping to conclusions

Being honest with himself

WELL DONE!





Failing to anticipate the consequences of your decisions can lead to bad results for you as the decision maker and for other people as well. What if your ball rolled off the sidewalk, between two parked cars and onto the street? Would you run from between the cars to rescue your ball? Hopefully, you would not! If you are a critical thinker you will stop and think about the consequences of running into the street to get a ball. You might just save your own or someone else's life.



The Reading Watch Dog says...

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Critical thinking is an active process. Stopping to anticipate



# Look Before You Leap

**You start your science project the night before it's due.**

**You forget to take the dog out for a walk.**

**You stay up late reading a book or watching TV.**

**You eat a bag of chips when you get home from school.**

**You eat your lunch very quickly then go out for recess.**

## Situation

**You put off practicing the piano.**

## Possible Outcomes

**You aren't ready for your piano recital and end up making lots of mistakes.**

**Brainstorm Other Possible Outcomes**



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