STRATEGY GROUP: Cognitive

STRATEGY SET: Analyzing and reasoning

STRATEGY: Reasoning deductively

This strategy involves deriving hypotheses about the meaning of what is read by means of general rules the learner already knows. Reasoning deductively is a common and very useful type of logical thinking.

Roberta is reading a Russian story involving a character named *Elisavyeta Ivanovna*. Roberta has not encountered this name before, but she knows that -*ovna* means "daughter of", so she understands immediately that the person must be Elizabeth, Ivan's daughter.