Synthesising is putting together information from the text with your own prior knowledge to develop new ideas and understandings. It can mean using your new knowledge to create something like a model or a plan.

My thinking has changed since I read this story. I used to think people in wheelchairs could go pretty much all of the places I can. Now I realise that is nowhere near the truth. After reading about Meg, I now understand some of the difficulties people with disabilities face when trying to get around in public places.