



Florida B.E.S.T. POINT OF VIEW & PERSPECTIVE

Level: M

Compare & Contrast Point of View

The Jewelry Box

It all started when Mom and I went into the old antique shop on the other side of town. Mom was looking for some new silverware for the kitchen, and I wandered off into a dusty back corner of the shop to see if they had any interesting books. That was when I found the jewelry box. It was the most beautiful jewelry box I had ever seen. It was made of smooth wood with leaves etched into it, and the inside was lined with red velvet. When you opened the lid, it played a lovely song, and a little maiden dressed in white spun around on a spring. I never asked for much, but I couldn't help but take the jewelry box to Mom and ask her if I could have it for an early birthday present. Mom was delighted that I was finally taking an interest in the old things that I usually found boring, so she bought it for me in a heartbeat.

What we didn't know was that the jewelry box was cursed. On Monday after we'd bought the box, everything went wrong. First, my alarm didn't go off, so I was late getting ready for school. Then, the bus was early, so I missed it. Then, a bird swooped at me when I was eating my lunch and stole my sandwich. On my way home from school, I dropped my schoolbag in a puddle and ruined all of the beautiful paintings I'd done in art class. I thought that I might just be having a bad day, but then more terrible things happened on Tuesday, like falling and skinning my knee playing softball. Wednesday was a bad day, too, which ended with me breaking a shelf in the kitchen cupboard and smashing all of Mom's special plates. "Anna!" Mom scolded. "What has gotten into you lately? You're being so clumsy. You can spend the rest of the night in your room."

I headed up to my room, feeling sorry for myself. As soon as I saw the jewelry box, I noticed that everything had gone wrong since I had bought it. I picked up the box and stared at the beautiful maiden as she spun around and around in terror. I noticed that she wasn't actually that beautiful at all. In fact, she had a

terrible frown on her face that made her look almost ugly. "Is this all your fault?" I asked, feeling like an idiot for just then, something happened that I could I slamed the jewelry box. appeared on the little step into the shadows. and I ended up "cursed," I said. "ridiculous." "I'm up act up!" she "I opened the maiden's face! her dance ox, doomed to pliers. Using Then I sat en it's ately. ns to bal and, Ann w on nna

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Compare & Contrast Point of View

4. How does the point of view change in the story?

Compare & Contrast Point of View

Answer the following questions. Underline the text evidence in the color indicated.

1. Read this sentence from the story.

"It all started when Mom and I went into the old antique shop on the other side of town."

What does this sentence tell you about whose point of view is used to tell the story?

- a. The mom is telling the story.
- ☒ b. It is told from Anna's point of view.
- c. The ballerina inside the jewelry box is telling the story.
- d. The story is told from an outside narrator's point of view.

2. In the first three paragraphs, how does the narrator of the story help you understand the main character? (Choose all that apply.)

- a. by explaining Anna's daily routine
- b. by describing the way she looks
- ☒ c. by summarizing what Anna is doing
- ☒ d. by describing what she thinks

3. How does Anna change from the beginning of the story to the end?

- a. In the beginning, Anna is studious. In the end, Anna is clumsy.
- ☒ b. In the beginning, Anna is clumsy due to a curse. In the end, the curse is gone.
- c. In the beginning, Anna is bored. In the end, Anna can be exciting.
- d. In the beginning, Anna doesn't like antiques. In the end, she appreciates antiques.

Compare & Contrast Point of View

Date: _____

TEST:

Shawn and Rover Find a Magical Toy

Shawn Burk was a petite boy with a vast heart for adventure. He never liked sitting and, and he enjoyed being outside. His best friend was Rover, the German Shepherd that d grown up with Shawn since they were both little.

Shawn paced back and forth across the kitchen as he decided what to do. Rover walked beside Shawn, sniffing the ground for a treat or two.

"I have an idea!" Shawn exclaimed, stopping abruptly. Rover hadn't been paying attention and crashed into Shawn's bum. Shawn chuckled as he pet Rover's sore head and suggested, "Let's go play ball in the back yard."

Rover barked as though he understood, so the best friends ran into the back yard to play fetch. Rover loved playing fetch, especially when Shawn threw his ball far. Rover barked happily and galloped after it.

"Good boy, Rover," Shawn yelled after his puppy. Shawn waited for Rover to return from behind the shed, but he never did. Perplexed, Shawn moseyed over to see the mischievous puppy had He loved eating supposed to, make sure

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TEST: Birthday Wishes

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Compare & Contrast Point of View

4. How does the point of view shape the tone of the story?

- a. The narrator is telling the story from the outside serious.
- b. The narrator is telling the story from the outside neutral.
- c. The narrator is telling the story from her perspective tone humorous.
- d. The narrator is telling the story from her perspective tone thoughtful.

5. Look at the table below. Label which version of the story is told from first person narration and which version is told from third person narration. How the point of view may change in each version.

Person Narration	
"I couldn't help but think about November when I would turn ten and my life would change forever..."	
"Our next stop was the grocery store on the other side of town."	

How are these versions different? Why do you think the point of view may change?

As I watched Roxy and Rose rub to ignore.

Our next stop was the grocery store. Our next stop was the grocery store, Carlos, also had a wish token for wear. When we arrived, Carlos said, "What can we do for you today?" "I have a simple wish," said Carlos. "I want to go to a good college, but I just don't have the money for it."

Carlos handed over his silver token, rubbing the token with his thumb. Carlos said, "Invahil az kasi." Dad smiled at Carlos. "It was so happy the day I was born."

POINT OF VIEW & PERSPECTIVE

4th grade

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**Anchor
charts to
guide
teaching and
for students
to reference**

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A narrator is the person telling a story. Different stories have narrators with varying points of view. The point of view is who is telling the story.

Point of View	Narrator	Key Words	Example
1st Person Narration	The narrator is a character inside the story.	I, my, we	"I was nervous for my first day of school because I didn't know anyone yet."
3rd Person Narration	The narrator is outside the story.	he, she, they	"Sammy was nervous for his first day of school because he didn't know anyone yet."





Knowing the narrator's point of view can help you understand what the narrator thinks and feels. Sometimes, the narrator's point of view shapes the character's perspective.

Multiple choice and short response questions

- Requires students to find text evidence

Assessment

- **Same format as practice worksheets**

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ABOUT LEXILE LEVELS



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Grade Band	Lexile® Bands Aligned to Florida B.E.S.T. Expectations
K-1	N/A
2-3	420L-820L
4-5	740L-1010L
6-8	925L-1185L

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Three's a Crowd

Skye and I had been best friends since we were four years old. We first met in the garden at preschool when we were both chasing the same butterfly. From that day on, we were as close as twins, bonded by our love for animals, chocolate, and the beach.

I always thought that two was the perfect number. Skye and I shared the same seat on the bus every day. We were always partners for school assignments. When we went on the Ferris wheel at the fun fair, we sat side by side. It had always been the two of us, and that had always worked perfectly.

However, something happened in fifth grade that threatened our perfect pairing. A new girl arrived in town. She moved in next door to Skye and was in the same grade as us. Her name was Maya, and she and Skye *had* to be friends at school because they were next-door neighbors.

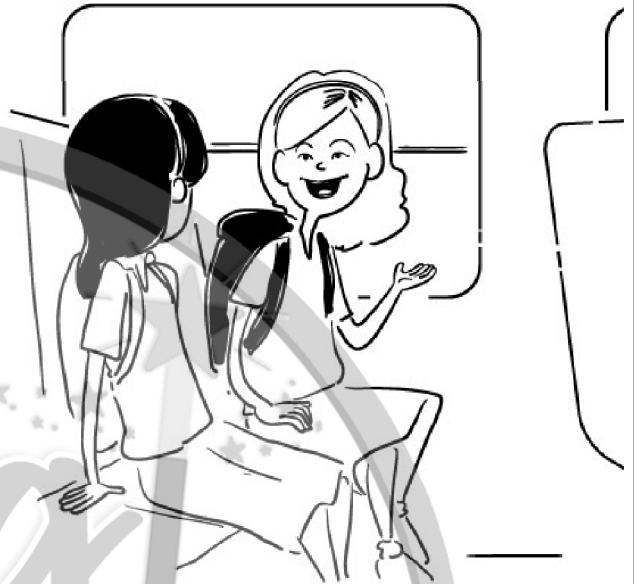
The trouble started with the science project. Mrs. Beecham asked us to split into pairs, and I turned immediately to Skye, like always. I was irritated to see that Maya had rushed to Skye's side first, exclaiming, "We'll be partners, right, Skye? We can work on the project together at my house; it's just next door, remember!"

Skye looked over at me guiltily, but Mrs. Beecham interrupted before I could protest. "How wonderful that Maya has a friend already!" she said. "It's not easy being new."

If I argued after that, *I* would have been the bad guy. I had no choice but to let Skye and Maya be partners. I got stuck with Chucky Cooper, who always managed to glue his fingers together no matter what the project was.

That was bad enough, but then I climbed onto the school bus that afternoon to find that Skye and Maya were already sitting together...in the same seat that Skye and I had always shared!

They both waved to me enthusiastically, but I deliberately went and sat all the way at the back by myself. I saw them frowning at me from their seater, but I refused to look. They had each other now.



It only got worse from there. Skye and Maya paired up in sports lessons and in theatre group. They sat together on the bus every day, and I was stuck in the back seat by myself, staring out the window and remembering when it was just the two of us, Skye and me.

I headed to school on Monday, dreading seeing Skye and Maya together. I suffered through science class with Chucky Cooper, who, no surprise, glued his fingers together within the first half hour.

At lunchtime, I considered going to the library to read by myself because it was pouring rain outside, but surprisingly, Maya came and found me first.

"Hey!" she said, in her annoyingly bright tone. "Skye and I want to play Clue, but it's not fun with only two players! Will you come and join us?"

I thought about saying no as payback for the last lonely week I'd spent by myself. However, I really wanted to spend my lunchtime with Skye again, and I did love Clue. I begrudgingly went to join them.

We actually had a lot of fun. As we got further into the game, I realized that Maya was smart, funny, and kind...not the wicked witch I'd imagined her as in my head. Skye ended up winning the game, and Maya and I both cheered for her victory. As lunchtime came to a close, the sun started peeking through the rain clouds outside.

On the bus home that afternoon, I went to head to my regular new spot in the back, but I saw that I was no longer alone in the back row. Maya and Skye were already sitting there, and they had left the third seat by the window for me.

"We thought that this was better," said Maya. "This way, we can all sit together!"

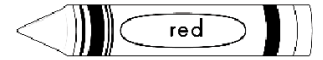
Now, Maya, Skye, and I have become a trio. We take turns pairing up with each other in different lessons, and I don't actually mind when I get paired with someone else. Chucky Cooper isn't all that bad, and I get to make new friends in class by rotating partners. When I'm paired with Skye, it's as great as always, but Maya also makes a pretty good partner.

The fun fair came to town last week, and the three of us went together. We decided against going on the Ferris wheel since it only had enough room for two people in each carriage. Instead, we went on the big roller coaster that fit three people neatly into the car. We strapped ourselves in and linked hands together as the roller coaster went up, up, up the tracks. As it hurtled down the first drop, I heard my two best friends squeal with delight, and I felt very lucky indeed.

Point of View & Perspective

Answer the following questions. Underline the text evidence in the color indicated.

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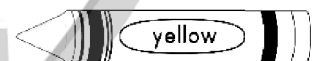
- a. Skye is telling the story.
- b. It is told from Maya's point of view.
- c. A young girl is telling the story from her point of view.
- d. The story is told from an outside narrator's point of view.

2. In the first few paragraphs, how does the narrator of the story help the reader understand the main character's perspective?



- a. by telling what she says
- b. by describing what she feels
- c. by describing the way she looks
- d. by telling what other characters say about her

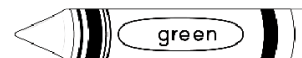
3. How does the main character's perspective change from the beginning of the story to the end? (Choose all that apply.)



- a. In the beginning, the main character is excited to have a new friend. In the end, the main character misses Skye.
- b. In the beginning, the main character is lonely. In the end, the main character is happy that she has two friends.
- c. In the beginning, the main character is jealous of Maya. In the end, the main character realizes that Maya can be her friend, too.
- d. In the beginning, the main character wants to have more friends. In the end, the main character realizes that having two friends is perfect.

Point of View & Perspective

4. How does the point of view shape the story?



- a. The narrator is telling the story from the outside, which makes the story unbiased.
- b. The narrator is telling the story from the outside, which makes the story unbelievable.
- c. The narrator is telling the story from her perspective, which makes the story relatable.
- d. The narrator is telling the story from her perspective, which makes the story mysterious.

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How are these versions different? Why do you think the author chose to use this narration?

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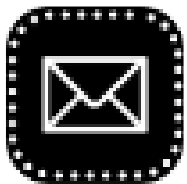
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