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close readings



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Close Reading 1.a: Chapters 1-10

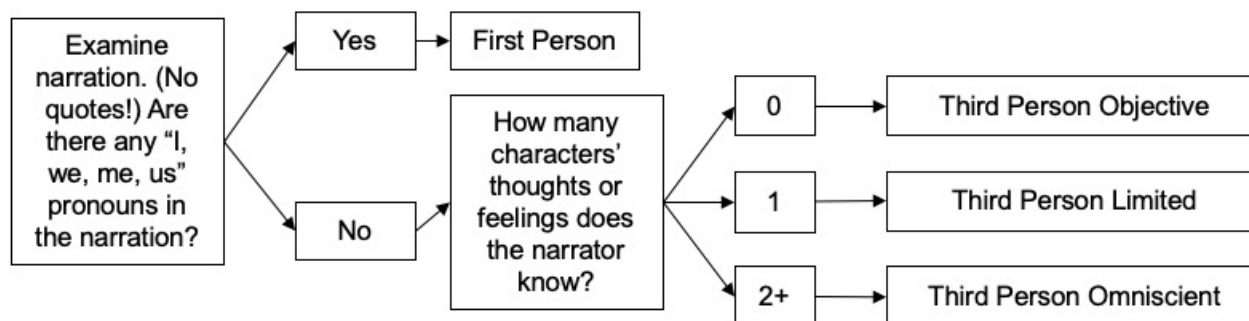
For Just A While – The Thing About Fatdar

Name: _____

Point of View

- _____ = The perspective from which the story is told.
- _____ = The character or person that tells the story.

	First Person	Third Person Objective	Third Person Limited	Third Person Omniscient
Nickname	_____ Perspective	_____ Perspective	_____ Perspective	_____ Perspective
Narrator	_____ Character	Storyteller exists _____ of narrative	Storyteller exists _____ of narrative	Storyteller exists _____ of narrative
Pronouns in Narration	I, we, me, us, our	He, she, they, them, him, her	He, she, they, them, him, her	He, she, they, them, him, her
Insight Into Character Thoughts & Feelings	Main character narrates _____ thoughts and feelings	The narrator describes events and actions but _____ characters' thoughts and feelings, just like a camera captures a story.	The narrator describes the thoughts and feelings of _____ character in the narration.	The narrator describes _____ characters' thoughts and feelings and details of the past, present, and even future all at once.
Example	Narration: I went to the store.	Narration: She went to the store.	Narration: She went to the store, and she was angry with her mother.	Narration: She went to the store with her brothers, and they were all so angry with their mother.



Point of View of *Starfish*: _____

Who is the narrator? _____

➤ 30 Close Reading Assignments

➤ Notes for Literary Elements






➤ Graphic Organizers to Scaffold Learning

➤ Literary Skills-Based

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Walk In Her Shoes

Directions: Let's examine how Ellie's point of view encourages readers to "step into her shoes" and truly understand her perspective. Select five moments or events from the story that Ellie describes in a way that better helps you understand her perspective. Explain how it helps you better understand her point of view and how it influences the way you feel about her and her story.

Moment or Event	How does Ellie's point of view help you understand her perspective? How does it influence the way you feel about her and her story?
 1.	
 2.	
 3.	
 4.	
 5.	

➤ 4 Whole Novel Analysis Assignments

➤ Rigorous & Creative Tasks

➤ Accommodate for ALL Learners

➤ Text-Based Questions & Analysis

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Close Reading 1.b: Chapters 1-10

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Name: _____

Flashback

- Flashback is a _____ of events prior to the start of the story or earlier in the story.
- _____ are also considered flashbacks.
- Flashbacks have deeper meanings because they give _____ or _____ into current events.
- Specifically, flashbacks serve three purposes in literature:
 1. Provide insight into _____.
 2. Increase _____.
 3. _____ the past with the present.

Directions: Reread the poem "Splash Is Born," focusing on Ellie's brief flashback to her fifth birthday part. Gather evidence below that captures the purpose of the flashback.

Flashback Summary:

What does the memory reveal about Ellie's relationship with her family?

How do the memories provide insight into Ellie's conflict?

How do the memories provide insight into Ellie's current situation and feelings?

➤ Comprehensive Answer Key

➤ Thorough Examination of the Text

➤ Google Slides™ Links

➤ Great for Rotation Model & Centers

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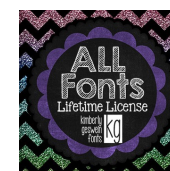
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