

First and Third Person Point of View

Grade 4 • ELA • First-person vs third-person point of view • Standards: RL.4.6

Read each passage carefully. Write 1st if the narrator is a character in the story using words like I, me, or we. Write 3rd if the narrator is outside the story telling about other characters.

1. I walked to the park with my dog. We played fetch for an hour.
2. Maria opened her backpack and found her lunch. She smiled when she saw the apple inside.
3. My brother and I built a fort in the living room. We used blankets and pillows to make it cozy.
4. The boy ran down the street to catch the bus. He waved at the driver to wait for him.
5. When I arrived at school, my teacher gave me a special job. I felt proud to be chosen as line leader.
6. The girls decided to start a garden. They planted seeds and watered them every day. Soon, tiny green shoots appeared in the soil.
7. We heard a strange noise coming from the basement. My sister and I looked at each other nervously. I wondered if we should go investigate.
8. Tommy thought about his grandmother's advice as he walked home. She had told him to always be kind, and now he understood why. He decided to apologize to his friend tomorrow.

Answer Key — First and Third Person Point of View

For the teacher / parent. Do not distribute with the worksheet.

1. 1st (*The narrator uses 'I' and is a character in the story.*)
2. 3rd (*The narrator is outside the story telling about Maria using 'she'.*)
3. 1st (*The narrator uses 'I' and 'we' and is a character in the story.*)
4. 3rd (*The narrator is outside the story telling about the boy using 'he'.*)
5. 1st (*The narrator uses 'I' and 'me' and is a character in the story.*)
6. 3rd (*The narrator is outside the story telling about the girls using 'they'.*)
7. 1st (*The narrator uses 'we' and 'I' and is a character in the story.*)
8. 3rd (*The narrator is outside the story telling about Tommy using 'he', even though the grandmother's words are mentioned.*)