

POINT OF VIEW

GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS

These graphic organizers are a part of this [Point of View in Nonfiction and Fiction Resource](#).

The full resource includes:

- 1st and 3rd person practice
- activities to help students distinguish their POV from the author/character's
- reading passages to compare & contrast different POVs
- reading passages to help students identify author bias
- writing activities
- ...and much more!

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In Fiction & Nonfiction

COMPARING TWO POINTS OF VIEW

Read the two passages below. Think about what the author is trying to say and answer the questions below.

Question	Bucky's Escape	My Annoying Brother
Who is the narrator?		
What is the main conflict?		
What is the main problem in the story?		
What happens in the story?		
What does the author feel his or her story is about?		
What is the most important difference between the two stories?		
What does the narrator's opinion of the story affect how she tells it?		
What new information might you learn from a story written from a different point of view?		

POINT OF VIEW: WHO IS TELLING THE STORY?

The same short story is told below from a different point of view. Read the stories and determine the narrator of each story.

Short Story Told From 4 Different Points of View

Bucky's Escape

I was lying on the couch trying to sleep when I heard the doorbell ring. I rushed to the door, looked out the window, and started barking at the woman at the door.

"Hi! Good! Mom's trying to sleep!" my owner whispered loudly to me. I headed back to the couch as the door opened.

"Dang dang!" I opened my eyes, wondering if I should go get the door or try to go back to sleep. Just as I had decided to try to sleep, Fido started barking loudly.

"Admittedly, I ignored, so I ran out of bed. I headed for the front door just in time to see Ado taking a package out of the postal worker's hands.

"This was my last day of the day. I climbed the stairs and rang the door bell. A long haired dog ran to the window and started barking loudly at me.

"He quiet!" I heard a girl whisper. "Mom's trying to sleep!" The barking stopped as a brown haired girl opened the door. She signed for the package. I had brought her. Finally I could head home!

I had just finished my homework when I heard the doorbell ring. Fido leapt off the couch, ran to the window, and started barking.

"Hi! Good! Mom's trying to sleep!" I said. Fido.

Fido crept back to the couch as I opened the door. A postal worker was standing at the door, waiting for me to sign for a package.

Narrator	Marker	Ado	Hi

COMPARING TWO POINTS OF VIEW

Use "Are We There Yet?" and "A Walk in the Woods" to answer the questions below.

- Who is the narrator of "Are We There Yet?"
 - Lily
 - Mom
 - Ethan
 - Both Lily and Ethan
- In "A Walk in the Woods," which of the following is the narrator?
 - The narrator can only describe Ethan's thoughts.
 - The narrator focuses on Ethan's perspective.
 - The narrator is one of the characters in the story.
 - The narrator knows the thoughts of all three characters.
- How would "Are We There Yet?" be different if it were told from the point of view of Ethan?
 - There would be no changes because Lily is the narrator.
 - The story would have a more positive view of the woods.
 - The story would have a different setting.
 - The story would have different characters.
- What is the most important difference between "Are We There Yet?" and "A Walk in the Woods"?
 - The first story is told from a first person point of view and the second is told from a third person point of view.
 - The first story is told from a first person point of view and the second is told from a third person point of view.
 - The first story focuses on Ethan's feelings, and the second focuses on Lily's feelings.
 - The first story leaves out more information.
- What new information does the reader learn in "A Walk in the Woods"?
 - Ethan dislikes the hike, while Lily enjoys it.
 - Mom is glad to have a day off.
 - Lily is glad to have a day off.
 - None of the above.

DO YOU AGREE?

Read the passage below. Think about what the author is trying to say and answer the questions below.

Books Vs. Movies

Many popular children's books have been turned into movies. Both books and movies have their own effects, and performances that capture emotions and feelings. Furthermore, movies usually have large budgets and elaborate sets, while books are more affordable. The advantage of books is that they allow readers to use their imagination to create their own mental images of the characters and settings. Movies, on the other hand, provide a visual experience that can be more immersive. However, books often allow for a deeper understanding of the characters' thoughts and feelings, which may not be fully captured in a movie. Given the choice between reading the book and watching the movie, the movie is always the better option.

What Does the Author Think?	What Do You Think?

What does the author leave out about the advantages of books or movies?

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When choosing a movie to watch, there are many "genres" to consider. Comedy is great if you're looking for something to laugh, while other genres like action or romance have a lot of action-movie fans. Some movies should not be watched. Horror movies can be scary, but they can also be fun. If you're looking for a movie to watch with your friends, you might want to choose a comedy or action movie. When deciding on a movie to watch, you should also consider the genre and the director's style.

Many people are terrified of alligators, but they should be. Alligators usually avoid humans. They are looking for easy food, and most alligators don't eat anything larger than a turtle or an armadillo. Problems with alligators occur when humans get too close to them. Then the alligator attacks them. They fear humans and approach them instead of attacking them. If you have alligators near you, you should be careful. If you have alligators near you, then they are usually harmless.

Clarice was having a sleepover with her best friend, Kaitie. Her mom came in to turn out the lights, and told her to get ready for bed. Clarice closed her eyes and tried to sleep. She turned on the light. "Let's go to bed!" she heard her mom say. "Let's go to bed!" she heard her mom say. "Let's go to bed!" she heard her mom say. "Let's go to bed!" she heard her mom say. "Let's go to bed!" she heard her mom say.

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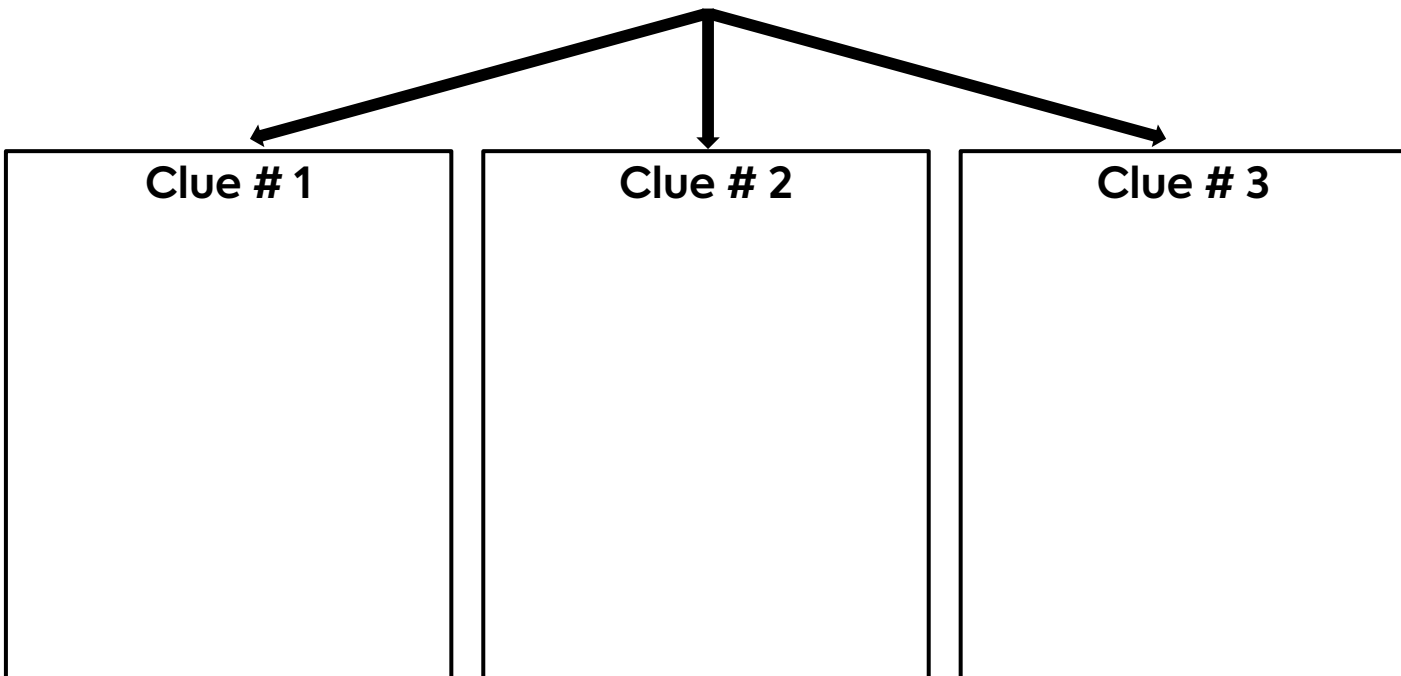
Fill in the graphic organizer using information from the article or passage you read.

Title: _____

Why did the author write this?	What facts does the author emphasize?	What facts does the author leave out?

What does the author think about the topic?

How do you know?



Did the author present the information fairly? Explain.

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Fill in the graphic organizer below using information from the fiction text you read.

Title	Point of View	How Did You Know?
	<input type="checkbox"/> First Person <input type="checkbox"/> Third Person <input type="checkbox"/> Other	

Describe the Main Character

Short Summary of Story

What Does the Main Character Think?

What Do You Think?

What Does A Partner Think?

THINKING ABOUT BOTH SIDES

Think about a topic that people disagree about. Come up with reasons to support both sides of the argument, and then explain your point of view!

Which point of view do you agree with? Why?

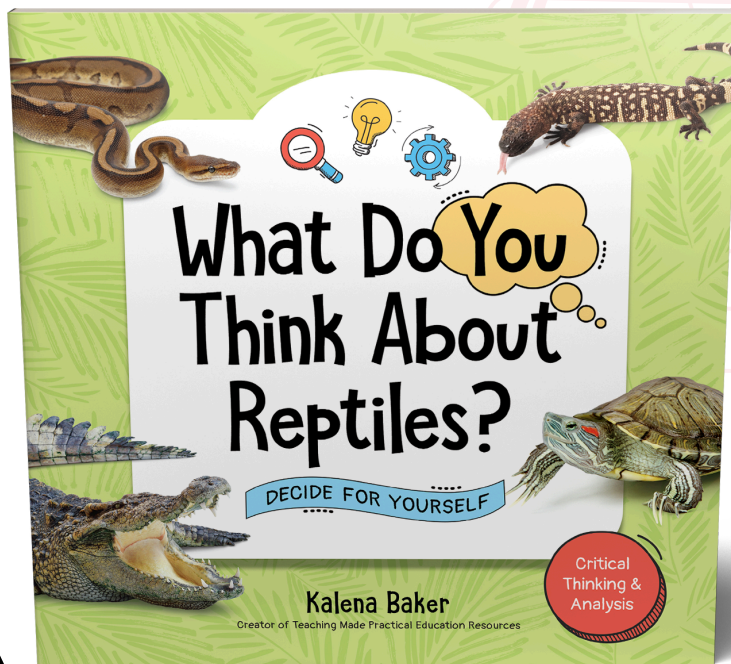
IT'S NOT REALLY A BOOK ABOUT REPTILES - IT'S ABOUT TEACHING KIDS TO THINK FOR THEMSELVES.



Kids are used to being told WHAT to think, but in this digital age, it is more important than ever for kids to learn to think for themselves! This book encourages students to **think critically** and exposes them to author bias, fact manipulation, and fact and opinion in a fun way.

Use This Nonfiction Book To Teach:

- **Fact and Opinion**
- **Point of View**
- **Author Bias**
- **Text Features**
- **Critical Thinking**
- **Word Choice**
- **...and More!**



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- *The Children's Book Review*

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EXAMPLE QUESTIONS

SHORT CONSTRUCTED RESPONSE

Freebie

Open Response
With Paragraph Frames

SENTENCE STARTERS

- According to the text _____
- I believe _____ because _____
- An important difference / similarity is _____
- When the author says _____ it is clear that _____
- _____ demonstrates that _____
- Based on _____, the reader can conclude _____
- Paragraph _____ states _____, so _____
- _____ because _____
- Throughout this passage, the author _____
- This text highlights how _____

TRANSITION WORDS

For example	However	As a result
Therefore	Also	In contrast
Similarly	Therefore	

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