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Point of View

Clarice was having a sleepover with her best friend, Katie. Her mom came in, turned out the lights, and told them it was time for bed. Clarice closed her eyes and tried to sleep, but Katie tip-toed out of bed and turned on the lights. "Let's sneak downstairs and get us some ice cream," she whispered. Clarice was nervous about disobeying her mom. "No, I think I'll stay here. I'm sleepy," she said.

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Kristoph's mom had given him a list of chores he was supposed to complete sometime during the day. The list included cleaning his room, walking his dog, and raking the leaves. He had already cleaned his room, and now he was outside raking the leaves when his friend Jake strolled by with a football. "Hey Kristoph! Come to the park and play football with us," Jake called out. Kristoph put the rake in the garage and walked to the park with Jake. He could finish his chores later.

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Jakar had just moved to a new state, and now he was going to a new school. He was really shy and nervous about going to a new school. All of the other boys in his class were really funny, and Jakar knew that they wouldn't like him because he was so quiet. At recess, one of the boys asked Jakar to come play basketball with them. Jakar shook his head no and walked to the swings by himself. Jakar didn't want the other boys to find out how boring he was.

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Minh was passing out invitations to her birthday. She had an invitation for all of the girls in her class. As she was passing them out, one of her friends whispered, "Hey, Minh. Don't invite Carla. She is so mean to us! If she comes, nobody will have fun at your birthday party." Minh continued passing out the invitations. When she got to Carla, Carla smirked and said, "Why would anyone want to go to your stupid party?" Minh handed her the invitation anyway and smiled. "I hope you do come. It should be fun."

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Natalia had just lit a vanilla spice candle in her room, and it smelled fantastic. Then she realized she needed to go to the bathroom. Her grandma had only one rule about candles – blow out the candle before you leave the room. However, Natalia was only going to be gone for a few minutes, so she decided to leave the candle burning while she went to the bathroom.

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Summer break was only two weeks away. All of the other kids in Trevor's class were extremely excited about summer, but Trevor was dreading it. During the summer, he had to spend all day alone at his house while his mom was out working. It was really boring, and Trevor preferred school.

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Tara had brought a huge pack of gum to school to share with the other girls in her class. Her teacher had a very strict rule about not chewing gum in class, but that didn't mean she couldn't pass it out during class. The other girls would just have to hide the gum until they could chew it later.

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DeEricka's music concert was tonight. She was supposed to wear a green shirt, but she didn't have one. She decided to borrow one from her sister's closet. Normally, she would ask her sister's permission before taking her clothes, but this was an emergency, and her sister was at a friend's house. She grabbed a green shirt and headed to her school for the concert.

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Mia was in her room reading her favorite book. Her sisters came in and said they were going to play a game, and they needed a third person. Mia shrugged her shoulders and said, "Thanks for asking, but I'm going to finish reading this book. Maybe Mom will play the game with you." Mia turned a page in her book as her sisters walked out of her room.

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"It's snowing!" Brent shouted. He was over at his best friend Conner's house. Conner suggested they go outside and have a snowball fight. Brent thought that sounded like fun, but he hadn't brought a jacket with him. It would be really cold. He decided to go outside anyway. He didn't want to miss all of the fun.

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Derrick had some toy cars that he had brought to school. They were safe in his backpack, waiting to come out at recess time. When recess finally arrived, he unzipped his backpack and pulled out his 2 favorite cars. "Hey, those are AWESOME!" his friend Ethan said. "Will you give me one of them?" Derrick hesitated. He really liked the cars. "Be nice," Ethan demanded. "You don't need 2 cars." Derrick reluctantly handed one of the cars to Ethan. "Here you go," he mumbled.

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Ernesto's grandpa had given him \$10.00 for his birthday. Ernesto had already spent most of the money on his favorite candy, and there was nothing else at the store he really wanted. He decided he would get something for his younger brother with the last \$1.00 he had left. He grabbed a pack of his brother's favorite gum and bought it.

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Dogs and cats are both popular pets. Dogs, however, can be a nuisance. They bark a lot and slobber all over you. Dogs also chew up furniture. Cats are much better pets. They are quiet, cute, and cuddly. For the most part, cats can take care of themselves. If you are considering getting a pet, then you should get a cat.

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It is very important to get enough sleep every night. People who get enough sleep are more productive, do better in school, and are healthier. If you don't get enough sleep, it could lead to moodiness, heart disease, and depression. Instead of staying up late to watch a TV show, you should make sure you are getting enough sleep!

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Basketball and baseball are both popular sports. Basketball is much more difficult to play. Basketball players must be good at dribbling, shooting, running, and passing the ball. It takes a lot of athleticism to run up and down a basketball court. Baseball is much easier – baseball players just need to be able to throw and catch a baseball, and they don't do near as much running as basketball players.

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When summer comes around, most people pull out their flip flops. However, flip-flops can be unsafe. Wearing flip-flops too often can cause problems with your feet and ankles. It can also lead to back and leg pain. Because flip-flops do not cover the top and sides of your feet, you are exposed to more germs when wearing them. Although it is fine to wear flip-flops occasionally, tennis shoes are a much better option for your feet.

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Some people believe that having to wear a uniform to school everyday is a pain, but there are many advantages. For example, it doesn't take as long in the morning to get ready because you already know what you are going to wear. Also, uniforms help promote a sense of community and pride in your school.

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When choosing a movie to watch, there are many genres to consider. Comedy is great if you are looking for something to make you laugh, while adventure movies have a lot of action.

Some movies, like horror movies, should not ever be watched. Horror movies put terrible images in your head and can keep you up all night, frightened. When deciding on a movie to watch, you should pick anything but a horror movie!

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Many people are terrified of alligators, but they shouldn't be. Alligators usually avoid humans. They are looking for an easy meal, and most alligators don't eat anything larger than a turtle or small snake.

Problems with alligators occur when humans start to feed them. Then, the alligators lose their fear of humans and start to approach them instead of avoid them. If you leave alligators alone, then they are usually harmless.

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At school, most teachers prefer for their students to write in pencil instead of pen. However, it doesn't really matter whether you choose to write in pencil or pen. The same work can be completed using either a pen or pencil. If you make a mistake in pen, you can just cross it out and write the correct answer below the crossed out section. Teachers shouldn't care whether students write in pen or pencil.

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Although having to brush your teeth several times a day can be annoying, it is critical if you want to keep your teeth clean and healthy. If you don't brush your teeth regularly, you have a much greater risk of having gum disease, tooth loss, and even bad breath! Take the extra time to brush your teeth at least twice a day.

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Math is the most essential subject that is taught in school. Without math skills, it would be difficult to buy groceries, cook a meal, or figure out the price of a sale item. More importantly, good math skills can help get you a well-paying job. Schools should spend more time on math and less time on reading.

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Playing a musical instrument has many benefits. For example, research has shown that playing a musical instrument helps improve your memory. Also, playing an instrument helps build perseverance, which is an important life skill. Finally, playing a musical instrument brings joy to all of the people around you. Every student should be required to learn to play a musical instrument.

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There are many disadvantages to spending too much time in front of the television. Because of this, kids should not be allowed to watch TV until they are 13. This would help kids develop a better imagination, because they would have to be creative in finding things to do. It would also protect the eyesight of kids.

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Do you agree or disagree? Why?

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Point of View Rubric

Student Name: _____

3 points

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<u>Completeness</u>	All of the required task cards were completed.	Most of the required task cards were completed.	Few of the required task cards were completed.
<u>Accuracy of Content</u>	All of the information regarding the author's point of view was accurate. The student used evidence from the text to defend their answers.	Most of the information regarding the author's point of view was accurate. The student sometimes used evidence from the text to defend their answers.	The student's answers are inaccurate and there is little evidence from the text.
<u>Quality of Content</u>	The student's answers were thoughtful. The student supported their point of view with logical and interesting details.	The student's answers were expected. The student supported their point of view with predictable details.	The student's answers lacked thoughtfulness and details. The student answered with the minimum required.
<u>Conventions</u>	There are very few errors in spelling, capitalization, punctuation, and grammar.	There are several errors in spelling, capitalization, punctuation, or grammar.	There are many errors in spelling, capitalization, punctuation, and grammar. Because of these errors, the answers are very difficult to read.

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