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Point of View Contrast

Point of view refers to how an author thinks or feels about a subject. In a memoir, an author uses rhetoric, choosing words carefully to advance a point of view. Graphic novelists, however, use both graphics and rhetoric to advance their points of view.

Read the following excerpts and answer the questions.

Excerpt A:

I couldn't believe my luck when I found the old map tucked inside the library book. My hands trembled as I unfolded it, revealing faded lines that seemed to lead to the abandoned Wellington estate. I had heard stories about hidden treasures there since I was a child. Now, with this map in my possession, I felt certain I could discover the truth. I slipped the map into my backpack and hurried home, my mind racing with possibilities.

Excerpt B:

Marcus couldn't believe his luck when he found the old map tucked inside the library book. His hands trembled as he unfolded it, revealing faded lines that seemed to lead to the abandoned Wellington estate. He had heard stories about hidden treasures there since he was a child. Now, with this map in his possession, he felt certain he could discover the truth. He slipped the map into his backpack and hurried home, his mind racing with possibilities.

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Excerpt C:

The boy found an old map in the library book. He looked at it carefully. The map showed the way to the Wellington estate. People said there was treasure hidden there. The boy took the map home with him. He wanted to find the treasure. He thought about what might be hidden at the estate. Perhaps he would discover something valuable there.

1. What point of view is used in Excerpt A?

2. What point of view is used in Excerpt B?

3. How does the point of view affect the reader's connection to the main character in each excerpt?

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Point of View Contrast - **Answer Key**

1. What point of view is used in Excerpt A?

First-person point of view, told by the character experiencing events, using pronouns "I," "my," and "me."

2. What point of view is used in Excerpt B?

Third-person limited point of view, focusing on Marcus while revealing his thoughts and feelings.

3. How does the point of view affect the reader's connection to the main character in each excerpt?

First-person creates intimate connection by sharing direct thoughts; third-person limited allows close but outside perspective; third-person objective creates emotional distance.