

Writing Devices

Discussion Questions (for teacher reference)

Identifying point of view

What does the author think about...?
How do you know that?

What message does the author give in this book?
Do you agree or disagree with that? Why?

How has the author represented:

- characters or people?
- facts/events?

What does the author want the reader to feel or think about:

- the characters or people?
- the facts or events?

How do you know?

What is the author's purpose in writing this text? How do you know?

Who is to be the audience for this book?

What words has the author used to describe:

- the characters or people?
- the setting?

What does the author not want the reader to know? Why do you think that might be?

From whose point of view is the author writing? Why do you think the author made this choice?

From what other point of view could the text have been written? How would it change the text?

What do you know about the author's background?
How could the author's background affect the way the text has been written?