

Point of View Analysis

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Basic POV Analysis Questions

1) What is the point of view (what type)?

2) Where is the narrator's relationship to the events of the plot/conflict and important characters (especially the protagonist and antagonist)?

3) What information is withheld from the reader? What information does the reader know that the characters don't know?

4) What characters is the reader observing? What character(s) does the reader have access to his/her/its thoughts?

5) Why would the author choose this POV? How is it affecting (or not affecting) the emotional and informational requirements of this plot and theme(s)?

Advanced POV Analysis

1) Is the narrator reliable? Does his or her personality, character, or intellect affect an ability to interpret the events or the other characters correctly?

2) How would the work be different if told from another point of view?

3) Why would the author choose this POV for dramatic (and/or thematic) reasons?

Extending POV Analysis

1) Specifically what or what type of people would be an interesting POV to tell a story from?