

10**Narrator and First Person
Points of View**

Review: The **narrator** is the voice that tells the events of a story. In a story told in the **first-person point of view**, the narrator is a character in the story. A first-person narrator uses the pronouns *I*, *me*, and *my*.

A. Directions: Read each passage. Circle the name of the first-person narrator.

1. As usual, things weren't going my way. "Mrs. Paretsky, Don and José were there too," I complained. "So why am I the only one to get sent to the principal's office?" "You were the only one *I* saw throwing rocks, Edward," she replied coolly. "The others denied being there." My so-called friends had deserted me again.

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| a. Mrs. Paretsky | c. Edward |
| b. Don and José | d. the principal |

2. "Peter, how would you like to work for me this summer on the vending machine route?" Uncle Val had asked. The money sounded good and I would have said yes, but my mother insisted I go to summer school. She thinks I'm college material. My father wasn't anxious to have me work for his brother Val either, but why, I don't know.

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| a. Uncle Val | c. Peter's mother |
| b. Peter | d. Peter's father |

3. Grandma Ana was always more fun than Grandma Jean. Even Henry realized that. "Do you remember, Nan," he asked just the other day, "how Grandma Jean always made us rake her yard whenever we visited her?" "Of course," I replied, "while Grandma Ana always took us to the movies!"

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| a. Grandma Ana | c. Henry |
| b. Grandma Jean | d. Nan |

B. Directions: Read this passage. Rewrite the passage in the first person, as if Tranh were telling the story.

Tranh wrote a postcard to his mother and stepfather telling them how much he liked summer camp and thanking them for sending him. In a phone call to his sister, though, he said he hated every minute of it and couldn't wait to come home.

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