

The Hobbit

Writing prompt assignment: Point-of-view is the way an author allows us to hear and see what is going on in a piece of literature. The point-of-view presented in a piece of literature can have an effect on our understanding of a character's actions, words, and motivations. *The Hobbit* presents both a third person omniscient point-of-view and a second person point-of-view allowing us to see the thoughts and feeling of several different characters.

Your first task is to write a well-constructed descriptive paragraph of an adventure within the story through the eyes of one of the other characters rather than an omniscient narrator. You will need to use evidence from the text to ensure that your description is authentic to the character's feelings about the situation, and it is to be written in first person. You may choose from the following characters: Gandalf, Gollum, one of the dwarves, Beorn, or Bard.

Write a short separate paragraph that explains how your first person point of view may affect a reader's viewpoint of the adventure and attitude towards other characters, mainly Bilbo.

This assignment will be graded based on the following criteria:

- Is the piece written in first person point-of-view? (1 pt)
- Are there at least three different ideas presented regarding the adventure? (6)
- Are the descriptions of the adventure supported with evidence from the novel? (6)
- Does the narrator have voice that is authentic to the character? (2)
- Is a well thought out explanation of the affect of point-of-view presented? (2)

Point-of-view writing rubric

_____ Text is written in first person point-of-view

_____ Three different ideas are presented regarding the adventure

_____ Each idea/description of the adventure is supported with evidence from the novel

_____ Your narrator's voice is authentic (character says things that he would say in the novel)

_____ A paragraph explaining the effect of point of view on the reader is presented.

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

Writing prompt assignment: Point-of-view is the way an author allows us to hear and see what is going on in a piece of literature. The point-of-view presented in a piece of literature can have an effect on our understanding of a character's actions, words, and motivations. Tom Sawyer presents a third person omniscient point-of-view allowing us to see the thoughts and feeling of several different characters.

Your first task is to write a well constructed descriptive paragraph (may be more than one) of Tom Sawyer through the eyes of one of the other characters rather than an omniscient narrator. You will need to use evidence from the text to ensure that your description is authentic to the character's feelings about Tom Sawyer, and it is to be written in first person. You may choose from the following characters: Sid, Mary, Huck Finn, Schoolmaster, Amy Lawrence, Becky Thatcher, or Joe Harper.

Write a separate paragraph that explains how your first person point of view may affect a reader's feelings about Tom Sawyer.

This assignment will be graded based on the following criteria:

- Is the piece written in first person point-of-view? (1 pt)
- Are there at least three different ideas presented regarding Tom's character? (3)
- Are the descriptions of Tom supported with evidence from the novel? (3)
- Does the narrator have voice that is authentic to the character? (1)
- Is a well thought out explanation of the affect of point-of-view presented? (2)

Point-of-view writing rubric

_____ Text is written in first person point-of-view

_____ Three different ideas are presented regarding Tom's character

_____ Each idea/description of Tom is supported with evidence from the novel

_____ Your narrator's voice is authentic (character says things that he/she would say in the novel)

_____ A paragraph explaining the effect of point of view on the reader is presented.