Character Point of View

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

Name _____ Date _____

Circle the answer.

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Snip Goes My Hair

I knew it was a mistake the moment the scissors went snip. My long hair fell to the floor in brown curls. When the barber spun my chair around, I stared at the mirror. My hair stopped at my chin now. I looked like a fuzzy dandelion.

"It's so cute!" said Mom. I did not think it was cute at all.

On Monday, I wore my hood all the way to school. I kept it up during reading. Then Mr. Ortiz asked me to take it off. My face got hot as I pulled it down.

My friend Bea gasped. "You look like the girl on the cover of my favorite book!" she said. Two other kids nodded. One of them asked where I got it cut.

At recess, the wind blew hard. For once, no hair whipped into my eyes. I could see the ball the whole game. I scored two goals.

Maybe short hair isn't so bad, I thought. But I am still not telling Mom she was right.

1. Who is telling this story?

   her friend Bea

   the girl who got the haircut

   Mr. Ortiz, her teacher

2. How can you tell this story is told in first person?

   The characters talk to each other.

   The narrator tells what everyone thinks.

   The narrator uses words like I and my.

3. How does the narrator feel about her haircut at first?

   She thinks it looks cute.

   She thinks it is still too long.

   She thinks it looks silly.

4. Which sentence shows the narrator's first view of her haircut?

"It's so cute!"

"I looked like a fuzzy dandelion."

"I scored two goals."

5. How is Mom's view different from the narrator's?

Mom and the narrator both dislike it.

Mom likes the haircut, but the narrator does not.

Mom thinks it is too short, but the narrator likes it.

6. Why did the narrator keep her hood up?

She was cold in the classroom.

Mr. Ortiz told her to wear it.

She did not want anyone to see her hair.

7. What is Bea's point of view about the new haircut?

She likes it a lot. She thinks it looks messy. She does not notice it.

8. What happens at recess that changes the narrator's mind?

The wind blows her hood off.

Bea says she looks like a book cover.

Her short hair stays out of her eyes.

9. "No hair whipped into my eyes." What does whipped mean?

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10. What does the narrator think about Mom at the end?

Mom was right, and she will tell her now.

Mom was wrong about the haircut.

Mom was a little right, but she won't say so.

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