Character Point of View

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

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Biscuit and the Blue Suitcase

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It started this morning. The big blue suitcase came down from the closet. Every time the blue suitcase comes out, my family disappears for days. I lay across the doorway with my chin on my paws. If they wanted to leave, they would have to step over me.

Maya, my favorite human, knelt down and scratched my ears. "Don't look so sad, silly," she said. "Wait and see." I did not want to wait. I wanted the suitcase to go back where it belonged.

Then things got stranger. Dad packed my squeaky duck into a bag. Mom filled a jar with my crunchy treats. Maya rolled up my plaid blanket. They were taking all my best things! They must be giving them to some other dog. I whined so loudly that Dad covered his ears.

Finally, Dad opened the back door of the car. Maya patted the seat and called, "Come on, Biscuit! Up!" I hopped in, mostly to keep an eye on my duck.

We drove for a long time. When the door opened again, I smelled salt and wet sand. Waves crashed nearby. Maya unclipped my leash and laughed. "Go on, Biscuit. It's your vacation too!"

I ran straight into the water. I have decided that suitcases are not so terrible after all.

1. Who is the narrator of this story?
   - Dad, who packs the bag
   - Maya, Biscuit's favorite human
   - a narrator outside the story
   - Biscuit, the family's dog

2. How can you tell this story is told in first person?
   - The narrator describes Maya's thoughts.
   - The narrator is not in the story.
   - Biscuit tells it using I and my.
   - Every character speaks out loud.

3. What does Biscuit think the suitcase means?
   - Mom is cleaning out the closet.
   - His family is taking him on a trip.
   - Maya is moving to a new house.
   - His family is leaving without him.

4. Which sentence shows how Biscuit feels about the suitcase?
   - "Don't look so sad, silly."
   - "Maya patted the seat."
   - "I wanted the suitcase to go back where it belonged."
   - "Waves crashed nearby."

5. When the family packs his things, what does Biscuit decide?
   They are taking his things on a trip.
   They are washing his blanket and toys.
   They are giving his things to another dog.
   They are hiding his toys as a game.

6. How is the reader's view different from Biscuit's?
   The reader and Biscuit both think he will stay home.
   Biscuit knows about the trip, but the reader does not.
   The reader can guess Biscuit is going too, but he cannot.
   The reader thinks the family is moving away.

7. Which clue helps the reader see what Biscuit misses?
   Dad covers his ears.
   The suitcase is big and blue.
   Biscuit lies across the doorway.
   The family packs his duck, treats, and blanket.

8. What does Maya mean when she says, "Wait and see"?
   Biscuit must wait at home all alone.
   Maya wants Biscuit to sit and stay.
   Something good is coming that Biscuit does not expect.
   Maya does not know what will happen.

9. How does Biscuit feel about suitcases at the end?
   He thinks they can lead to fun.
   He still thinks they are terrible.
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