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?

   Mr. Ortiz, her teacher

   the girl who got the haircut

   her friend Bea

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

   The narrator tells what everyone thinks.

   The characters talk to each other.

   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 looks silly.

   She thinks it is still too long.

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

"I scored two goals."

"It's so cute!"

"I looked like a fuzzy dandelion."

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

Mom likes the haircut, but the narrator does not.

Mom and the narrator both dislike it.

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

6. Why did the narrator keep her hood up?

She did not want anyone to see her hair.

Mr. Ortiz told her to wear it.

She was cold in the classroom.

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

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

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

Her short hair stays out of her eyes.

Bea says she looks like a book cover.

The wind blows her hood off.

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

Mom was wrong about the haircut.

Mom was right, and she will tell her now.

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