**Point of View Worksheet :**

**Directions: Read the following passages and determine the narrative perspective, then explain how you were able to identify the point of view.**

1. **Cool Breeze on a Hot Day (by Amy Scott):**

"Ice cream! Ice cream!" I heard the street vendor shouting as he pushed his cart down the block. Ice cream sounded really tasty on a day like this. I plunged my hands into my pockets and examined the contents: one pair of house keys, a pack of gum that was almost empty, and a few coins. I pulled the coins from my pockets and counted them. It didn't take long. 46 cents. I saw a line of children from the neighborhood in front of the street vendor. Each walked away happier than the former. My mouth tasted like hot ashes.

**Narrator’s Point of View: First Person Narrative Perspective.**

**Explain your Answer: - The narrator is a participating figure in the story. (it is his own story).**

* **The narrator uses the first person pronoun “I” to tell the story. (Ex: I heard the street…/ I pulled the coins…)**
* **The narrator is a major character .**

1. **A Cut Too Deep by (Angela Marshall):**

Greg looked up at the bright lights in the operating room until they burned a white spot in his field of vision. He looked at the face of the surgeon and saw only a white blur. When he looked away, he could see the surgeon's masked face from his peripheries. He could hear him readying an array of metal instruments, many of which looked as though they might belong to a dentist. I hope he's not going to use those on me! Greg thought to himself with terror. The surgeon picked up one that looked like a bent up question mark.

**Narrator’s Point of View: Limited-Omniscient narrative perspective.**

**Explain your Answer: - The narrative voice (narrator) that tells us about Greg’s story is an outsider**

**(anonymous) i.e. he is not a character inside the text.**

**-The narrator uses the third person pronoun to narrate the story.**

**- The narrative voice reveals (gives us) only the thoughts and feelings of one character (Greg**)

**3-The Great Divide and Other Freshman Tales (by P. W. Dunhill):**

"Wow, look at his costume," said Annie. "He's dressed up like an electric jellyfish." She observed the flashing lights with genuine admiration. Adrianna looked at the costume and scoffed. Secretly, sheenvied the detail and craftsmanship that went into the jellyfish costume, but she would never let on toAnnie. “What kind of loser goes walking around like a Christmas tree?” Adrianna said. Annie did notagree, but did not want to be disagreeable. “Yeah… what kind?” The ladies walked by another house.Annie did not like this. It seemed like Adrianna more interested in criticizing others than in trick-ortreating. Annie adjusted the headband to her costume. Adrianna was not wearing a costume.

**Narrator’s Point of View: ……………………………………………………………………………………**

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**Explain your Answer : ………………………………………………………………………………………**

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**4- For the Stars and Heavens (by Bradley Fox):**

Odin brushed the snowflakes off of his sword and replied, "I will never accept a peace treaty from the Hamburgs. They are our sworn enemies and so long as I can hold a sword, I will point it at Hamburgs."Epée looked at him and wrinkled her face. A long moment passed in silence. Snow continued to fallfrom the sky. Finally, Epée responded, "But, Odin, think about what peace might mean for the children."Odin sneered and said, "Humph," but made no further comment. Epée drew her weapon.

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**5- Disaster Area: The Story of Andy Reynolds (by Chris A. Bowman):**

Andy looked around his room. It was completely trashed. His floors were layered with clothing. Underneath the clothing were random toys. His lamp had a pair of boxer shorts on top of it. Some of his drawers were pulled out completely from his dresser and lying on the floor, others were hanging from the dresser. As Andy walked toward the bed carrying a blanket, he jumped up in the air and exclaimed, "Ahhh! My foot! I hurt my foot!" He peeled back the layers under where he just stepped and found a model plane. He threw it across the room with a crash.

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