

Instructional Overview

Book Club

The Little Prince

By: Antoine de Saint-Exupéry
Grade Level: 6 / Guided Reading Level: X

Instructional Focus:

Point of View

Background:

When writing, an author makes many choices that influence the information readers take away from the story. One of these choices is point of view. Point of view refers to who is narrating or telling the story. Stories are frequently told in first person (told by the main character) or third person (told by the narrator who is not a character).

The point of view an author chooses impacts how the story comes together in the reader's mind and what the reader learns about the setting, characters, plot, and theme. In this Book Club, students will examine a story's point of view and how the point of view impacts other story elements.

Instructional Overview:

Meeting #1

Introduce Book/ What is Point of View?

Meeting #2

(Chapters 1 – 5) How Does the Author Develop Point of View?

Meeting #3

(Chapters 6 – 10) How Does Point of View Impact Setting?

Meeting #4

(Chapters 11 – 15) How Does Point of View Impact Characters?

Meeting #5

(Chapters 16 – 20) How Does Point of View Impact Plot?

Meeting #6

(Chapters 21 – 25) How Does Point of View Impact Theme?

Meeting #7

(Chapter 26 – Epilogue) Reflecting on Point of View

Instructional Focus

Description of the
Instructional Focus

List of Book Club Meetings
and the Instructional Focus
for Each Meeting

List of Materials and Preparation

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Materials and Preparation:

- Determine which students will participate in the *The Little Prince* Book Club (4-6 students)
- Gather copies of *The Little Prince* by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry (1 per student)
- Prepare copies of the Book Club Calendar (1 per student)
- Prepare copies of the Expectations for Book Club (1 per student)
- Prepare copies of the Book Club Reading Response Board (1 per student)
- Prepare Reader's Notebooks (1 per student)
 - These may be spiral notebooks, several sheets of lined paper stapled together or bound in a folder.
- Prepare Sample Point of View Exploration Chart
- Prepare Sample Point of View Notes Chart
- Prepare Sample of Setting Analysis Chart
- Prepare Sample Character Review Chart
- Prepare Sample Plot Analysis Chart
- Prepare Sample Theme Analysis Chart
- Prepare Vocabulary Resources (1 set per student)
- Prepare Student Self-Evaluation Forms (1 per student per meeting)
- Prepare Assessment Resources (1 set per student)
- Prepare Extension Activities (optional)