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Author's Point of View

Today's Standard

7.RI.6 - Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others.

Cues	Notes
What is an author's point of view?	An author's point of view is their perspective or opinion on the topic.
How can you determine an author's purpose?	The author's purpose is the reason they wrote the text, such as to inform, persuade, entertain, or express opinions.
	Subtle clues include tone, word choice, and context.
What are some subtle clues to	
look for?	Understanding perspective helps in critical text analysis and informed decision-making.
Why is understanding an	
author's perspective important?	Misconceptions include thinking the point of view is always explicit and that the purpose is only to inform or entertain.
What are common misconceptions about an author's point of view?	

Summary

Understanding an author's point of view and purpose involves looking for subtle clues and recognizing that authors write for various reasons. This skill is crucial for critical analysis and informed decision-making.