

Student's Name: _____ Date: _____

Author's Purpose and Point of View: Informational Texts



Directions: Ask the student to read the selection silently, select details, and use these details to determine the author's purpose and point of view.

Texts used: _____

The student can answer these questions/prompts:

- _____ Explain the author's purpose and show how his/her purpose determines the content of the piece.
- _____ Explain the point of view the author has in this selection. How does point of view relate to the author's purpose?
- _____ If the author's purpose is to argue a claim, trace the arguments from beginning to end and discuss whether the arguments are effective.
- _____ If the author's purpose is to explain and inform, discuss the evidence presented throughout the text and whether it effectively explains and/or informs.

Observations and Notes:

Check One: _____ Work with peer. _____ Work with teacher. _____ Can work independently.

Follow-up Conference on _____