Lesson 16
Point of View

Learning Target
As you read, determine if your point of view of a story is the same as or different from that of the narrator and characters.

Read  Characters are the people or animals in a story. Each character has a point of view, or feeling, about what is happening in the story. The narrator tells the story from the outside and describes events and actions in the story. The narrator also has a point of view.

As you are reading the story, you will have your own point of view. Comparing and contrasting your point of view from the characters’ and narrator’s points of view will help you better understand text. As you read, ask yourself questions to help you figure out your point of view, such as Who is telling the story? What do the characters think? What do I think?

Look at the family in the cartoon below. Do all these people feel the same way about green bean ice cream? Is Dad’s point of view different from the childrens’?

It’s my new delicious recipe for green bean ice cream!
**Think** Using what you see in the cartoon, complete the first row by describing how the girl, the dad, and the boy feel about green bean ice cream. In the second row, describe each character’s point of view.

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<td><strong>The Girl’s Actions</strong></td>
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<td>• is smiling</td>
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| **The Girl’s Point of View** | **The Boy’s Point of View** | **The Dad’s Point of View** |
| thinks the ice cream is great | | |

**Talk** Take turns with your partner, describing each character’s point of view. What is your point of view about green bean ice cream? Is your point of view the same as or different from the characters’?

**Academic Talk**

Use these words and phrase to talk about the text.
- narrator
- characters
- point of view
- comparing
- contrasting