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Student Activity Plan

Welcome to Thinkport's Student Activity Center! Your teacher has directed you to this student activity to help you learn more about the topic you are studying.

Title: Cartoons and Characterization

Audience: Middle

Duration: 45 min

Subject Area(s):

Language Arts - Literature

Grade Level(s): 6,7,8

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Student Directions:

Have you ever heard a friend describe something that happened when you were together and you didn't know what she was saying? This is because we all adopt different points of view as we talk, read, write and listen. In this activity you will have a chance to see how adopting different points of view can have an interesting effect on a story!

Click on the Point of View Interactive. You will see three buttons labeled narrator, Montresor, and Fortunato. Your responsibility is to discover more about each character through their thoughts, word, speech patterns, and deeds. You will be assigned to listen to or read the story from either Montresor's point of view or from Fortunato's point of view. Use the worksheet Cartoon Character Notes to record examples, paraphrase, or describe the character's thoughts, words, speech patterns and deeds. Think about each character's actions and how he expresses himself as you read and try to determine if this is the antagonist or protagonist of the story.

Knowing Poe The Point of View Interactive enables you to experience the story of The Cask of Amontillado from the perspective of Montresor, Fortunato and the narrator.

<http://knowingpoe.thinkport.org/writer/pov.asp>

How can you learn about a character through his thoughts, words, speech patterns and deeds?

Cartoon Character Notes Worksheet [\(View\)](#)

Use the link below to open the Cartoon Characterization worksheet. Use the draw tools in Word to create the cartoon depiction of your character. You may also print this out to draw using colored pencils.

Cartoon Characterization Worksheet [\(View\)](#)

In order to evaluate the cartoon panels on the Cartoon Characterization worksheet use the following questions: Does the cartoon accurately convey characterization? Are the character's thoughts clearly expressed? Are the character's words used to convey specific qualities? Are the character's speech patterns incorporated? Are the character's deeds conveyed? What are you able to understand about the character after viewing the cartoon?

Activity Signature

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