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Chapter 4: Change in Point of View/Perspective/Character Thoughts

How does point of view influence a story? How does point of view affect our reading of a story? Our understanding? Based on what we know about the characters, what are they thinking?

1. Re-read the scene from chapter 4 when Cassie hears that Mama whipped Stacey and then Stacey ran after T.J. to seek his revenge (starting on page 80). Cassie describes what happens once Stacey runs out of school, then tries to persuade Stacey to come home with her and her brothers. What does this indicate about Cassie?
2. Now think about others in the novel, and their personalities, how they approach conflict, how they view their circumstances.

Your task:

Imagine that you are writing the thoughts of Christopher John, Stacey, Little Man, or T.J. from the point when Stacey runs out of Great Faith until the fight and what follows. Based on what you know about each character, what would your chosen character have thought at each point of what ensued? Be sure to include description of what is happening as the character experiences each element.

YOUR CHARACTER CHOICE (circle):

Christopher John

Stacey

Little Man

T.J.
