

4. RL. 6 - Compare/contrast; Point of view

***My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George**

When I asked him his name, he said Bill something, but I never heard his last name because I fell asleep in his rocking chair that we pulled up beside his big hot glorious wood stove in the kitchen.

I ate fish some hours later, also some bread, jelly, oatmeal, and cream. Then he said to me, "Sam Gribley, if you are going to run off and live in the woods, you better learn how to make a fire. Come with me."

We spent the afternoon practicing. I penciled these notes on the back of a scrap of paper, so I wouldn't forget.

***The Girl Who Owned a City* by O.T. Nelson**

Good! The house was empty. While Lisa waited outside in the cold to be sure, she relaxed for a moment and let herself think about the past.

At this time a few weeks ago, she had been sitting quietly in her fifth-grade social studies class. There had been no reason to believe that her life would change. Now it was the middle of December. The whole world had changed, and now life seemed terrible.

What will happen to me? she wondered. Then she swung her leg with all her might. Her boot crashed through the wooden frame and glass of the front door.

The shattering sound rang in her ears as she reached through the broken pane for the latch. Her movements were quick. She was becoming a good thief.

***My Side of the Mountain* Questions**

1. Who is the speaker in the story? _____
2. In what point of view is the story written? _____

***The Girl Who Owned a City* Questions**

3. Who is the speaker in the story? _____
4. In what point of view is the story written? _____

Compare and Contrast

5. Compare and contrast the point of view between the two stories. (4 points)

6. Rewrite the first two sentences of *My Side of the Mountain* and change the point of view. (4 points)
