

LITERATURE UPDATE

Growing Together

In this fiction story, a young girl describes the challenges of moving to the United States from Cuba. Although she finds an American friend, she becomes more homesick than ever after an argument.

Kids Like Me

Young immigrants discuss how life is different in the U.S. and what they would tell other young people in similar situations.

Familiar Places

This nonfiction article describes how immigrant groups bring elements of their culture to make their new surroundings feel like home.

Finding Your Own Place

Everybody has a point of view. The differences in the way people think and feel about issues help to make life interesting. In class, we are learning about how to compare different points of view with our own. We are also learning the following skills to help us become better readers and writers:

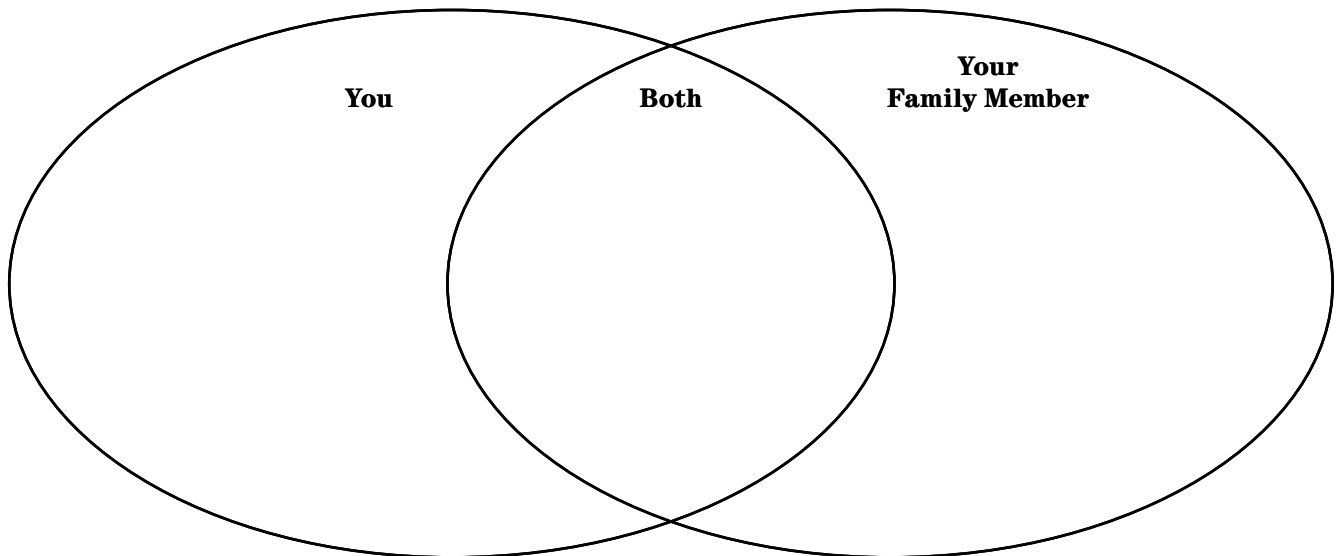
Unit 1 Skills Focus

- Vocabulary:** Use Context Clues
- Reading:** Preview and Predict; Preview and Set a Purpose
- Literary Analysis:** Analyze Narrator's Point of View; Compare and Contrast; Main Idea; Compare People
- Grammar:** Sentence Types
- Writing:** Paragraph Study

COMPARE POINTS OF VIEW

Work with a family member to compare points of view. Choose something that interests you, such as your feelings about a sports team, a school subject, or a kind of food.

1. Brainstorm a subject both you and your family member know about: _____
2. In the diagram below, write the ideas that are different from one another. Then write the ideas you share.



3. Bring your diagram to school and share it with your class.