

Analyze Point of View: *A Long Walk to Water*, Chapter 3

(Example for Teacher Reference)

Directions: Complete the following chart to answer the question: “How does Linda Sue Park contrast Nya’s and Salva’s points of view?”

What is Nya’s point of view of arriving at the pond? How do you know? How has the author developed this point of view?

What is Salva’s point of view of finding the old woman? How do you know? How has the author developed this point of view?

Tip: What is a common feeling/emotion both Nya and Salva have? Some examples include fear, upset, anger, and relief.

Nya	Salva
<p>When Nya arrives at the pond she feels . . .</p> <p>Nya finds relief at the pond both in the life after walking alone and in the water to drink.</p>	<p>When Salva finds the old woman he feels . . .</p> <p>Salva finds relief when he finds the woman.</p>
<p>How do you know? How has the author developed this point of view?</p> <p>The author helps us understand this by . . .</p> <p>Developed for us to infer through Nya’s observations described by narrator. Observations appear positive (“so much life”). (14) Also from description of feeling cooler inside, we infer she felt uncomfortably hot before.</p>	<p>How do you know? How has the author developed this point of view?</p> <p>The author helps us understand this by . . .</p> <p>Developed through building suspense when narrator describes how he held his breath and crept closer when he saw the woman. Also naming relief directly (“Salva let out his breath in relief”) once Salva realizes she is Dinka. (16)</p>