

THE ELEMENTS OF NONFICTION

Title of Selection:

_____Fish Checks_____

Author:

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1. What is the writer's purpose? Who

Is the audience? The writer's purpose is not everybody could be American and you have to follow your religion no matter what. The audience would be me because I was reading the passage.

2. Is the subject important or not? interesting or not? The subject is important. The story is very short but it's interesting.

3. What facts does the writer include about the subject? What

sources are used? The facts that the writer includes would be what the mom cooked for dinner because they are chinese and the minister's family they invited are American. The source that is used would be the mother telling her daughter "You want to be the same as American girls on the outside."

4. What are the writer's opinions about the subject? What evidence is used to support the writer's opinions? The writer's opinions about the subject would be much as you want to be from the same place as your crush; it would never change. The evidence that i have to support my answer is that the daughter is Chinese and the boy is American.

5. What is the writer's tone, or attitude, toward the subject? The writer's attitude towards the subject is a bit difficult to tell but i would say it would have to be shy in a certain way.

6. Is every part of the essay necessary? Yes every part of the essay is necessary because the more important information there is the most you'll understand the story better.

How are the ideas

Presented? The ideas presented would make you want to imagine the scenes that are being talked about.

7. Are the writer's ideas clearly

presented? Is the diction clear?

Does the writing contain jargon or

other difficult kinds of words? any

Imagery? Yes the writer's ideas are clearly presented in every paragraph you will read in the essay. The diction is clear. For me i didn't see any jargon so i will say no there isn't any jargon.

8. What type of nonfiction piece is

the selection? Is it autobiography or

biography? The nonfiction part would be when the mom brought the daughter a skirt thinking just because she had that it would change her wanting to impress an American boy and she would now claim herself as one. This story is a biography.

Response to Literature Essay