Author Inferences and Quotes As Proof

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- **Author's perspective** (including beliefs), can be inferred by information contained in the text. The stronger proof you have, the stronger your claim. Observe the following example:

> Basketball is the most athletic of all team sports that requires specific talent in order to be successful. It is a team sport that was invented in the late 1800s. A basketball team is made up of athletes who play particular positions. Each position requires certain skills and qualities. The five positions on a basketball team are the point guard, shooting guard, power forward, center, and small forward. Typically, the point guard is the leader of the team when on the court. This player must have strong ball-handling skills during the game. A leader on the court must be able to facilitate plays and get the team in position to score points.
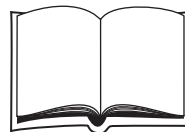
What's the Author's Perspective?

Author's Perspective:

- I can tell this author is passionate about basketball by the language they use.

Evidenced by the Following Quotes:

- "Basketball is the most athletic of all team sports…"
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Directions: After reading a nonfiction text, list an author perspective and note 3 text quotes that support your claim. Underline any word that highlights your claim, as needed.

Nonfiction Text: _____

Author: _____ _____

Author's perspective: I can tell this author _____

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As Evidenced by the Following Quotes:

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