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continuation writing

—— *How to reveal a character's real traits
through observations and realization*

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Break was almost over. Normally, I didn't bother to keep track of Michael Peterson. I tried to ignore him. But today was Valentine's Day, a special day for children to exchange "valentine cards" with each of their classmates. No way was I going to let him play a z k s q mean trick today.

Michael Peterson sits next to me in class. He's also my neighbor. So I know him. And I was sure he was up to something, because he always is. Last week, he put a sign on my back that said *Sing to Me!* It was terrible. Sure, maybe it was funny at first, if a little confusing. Everywhere I went, people I didn't even know started singing to me. But once I realized it was just because of the sign on my back, I was extremely angry. Michael played tricks like that all the time. So I knew what he was doing now — ruining someone's Valentine's Day.

I was going to stop him. But where was he? He wasn't on the playground for break as supposed to be. "Have you seen Michael?" I asked Josh, who swung down from the monkey bars and said, "Which Michael?"

"Michael Peterson," I said. I had forgotten about Michael Rogers, the new kid in our class. Josh shrugged. "Haven't seen him." Then he grinned. "He's probably off playing a funny trick."

I sighed. "That's what I'm afraid of." I headed for the classroom. There was Michael Peterson — at Michael Rogers' desk, digging in his box of valentine cards! "Michael, leave that box alone!" I ordered.

"Hurry and help me," Michael said.

I stared at him in amazement. He wanted me to help him? "No way!" I said, thinking that he was stealing valentine cards from Michael Rogers' box. Then, after watching him for a moment, I added, "What are you doing, anyway?"



Paragraph 1:

The more I watched my next-door neighbor, the more confused I became. __

Paragraph 2:

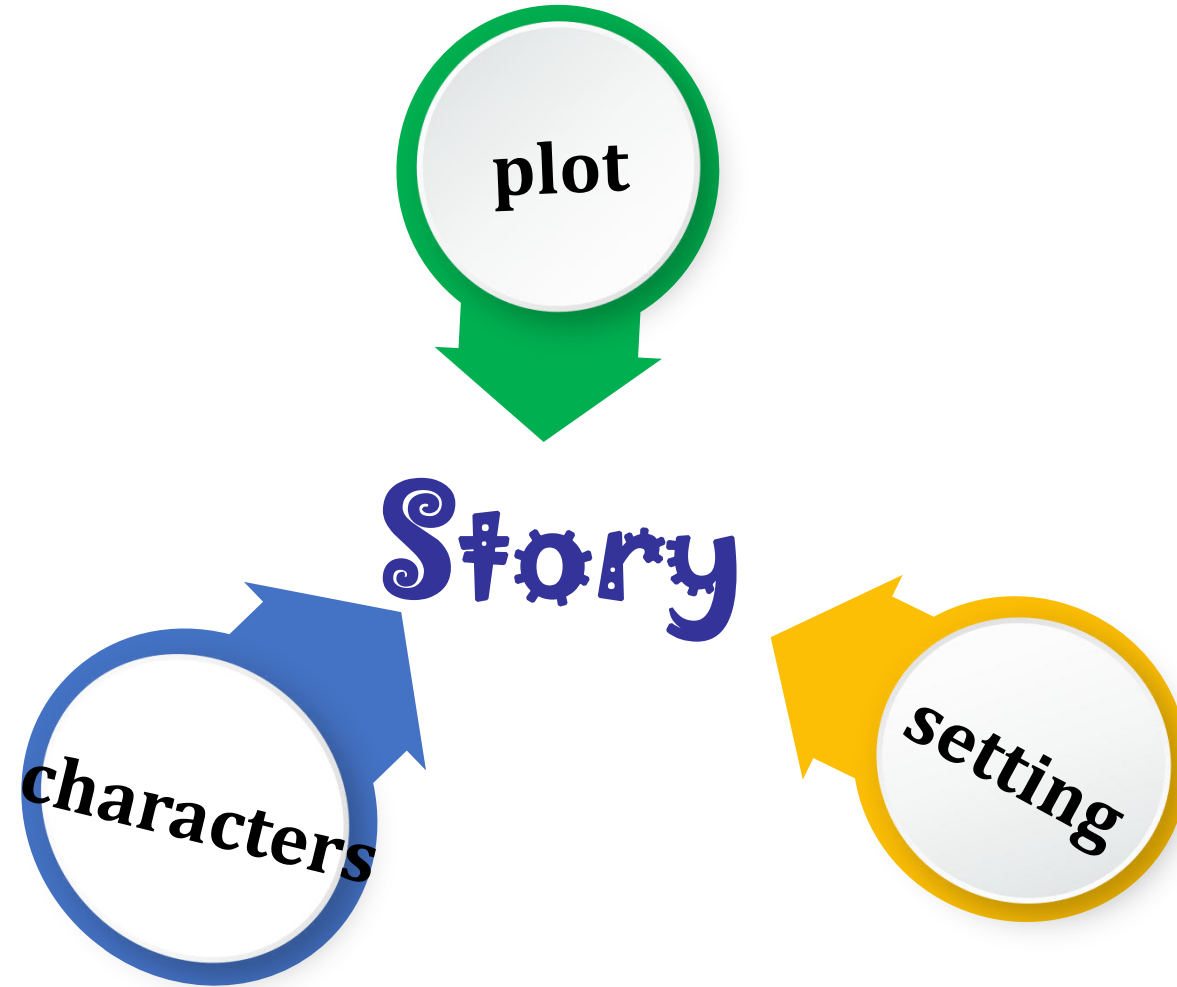
I stood there, not quite believing what I was hearing. _____▲

Guessing game

Valentine's day

- falls on February 14th
- Lovers celebrate it by giving flowers, candy and cards to those they love.
- It's also an occasion for family members, friends or students to express their love for each other.







Read for setting

- Today was Valentine's Day, a special day for children to exchange “valentine cards” with each of their classmates.



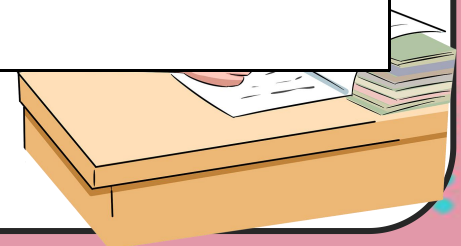
Read for characters

What are our relationships?

characters	description	character's trait
I	No way was I going to let him play a mean trick today.	have a sense of justice
Michael Peterson	He played tricks all the time	naughty and annoying
Josh		
Michael Rogers	the new kid in our class	

classmates
& neighbors

classmates





Read for plot

I saw Peterson
“stealing” cards!

Climax

There was Michael Peterson--at
Michael Roger's desk, digging in...

I searched for Peterson to prevent
him from ruining Valentine's Day

No way was I going to let him play
a mean trick today.

I held a bad impression
of Peterson

He played tricks like
that all the time.



Was he really stealing cards from Rogers?

- He played tricks like that all the time.(**experienced**)
- “He's probably off playing a funny trick.”(**heard**)
- There was Michael Peterson--at Michael Rogers' desk, digging in his box of valentine cards! (**saw**)

Is it possible that one's first impression, direct observation , or others' opinion may be deceiving?



Read for theme

What does the author want to convey through the story?

my misunderstanding of Peterson:
he was considerate

- ☐ Scars will remain.
- ☐ The school bully should be
- ☒ Never judge a person too early.
- ☐ ...

my new discovery about Peterson:
he was kind and friendly

my bad impression on Peterson:
he was naughty and annoying

正向结局



plot the ending

Para.1:

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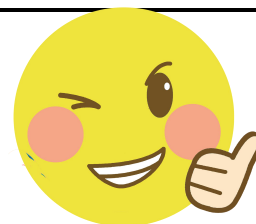
observation



Para.2:

I stood there, not quite believing what I was hearing.

realization





observation (a boy full of tricks)

- 见他继续在那里掏和拿卡片，我很怀疑地看着他，质问他究竟在干吗。

As I was watching, he continued to dig, and fished cards out of the box. I cast him a suspicious look/ eyed him suspiciously, questioning him what on earth was he doing.

- 想起以前他对我的捉弄，我不相信地盯着他，Memories of his mean tricks played on me rushing (rush) over me, I stared at him in disbelief.



- 我很怀疑地上下打量他，一想到罗杰斯会被众人嘲笑我就非常生气。

I studied him from head to toe in suspicion,
the thought of Rogers would be laughed at by
everyone making me feel furious.

- 我直勾勾地盯着他，只见他头也不抬地专注地在笨手笨脚摸找卡片。

I stared straight at him: there he was, devoted to
fumbling cards in the box, without lifting his eyes.



observation (a boy full of consideration)

- At the sight of it, I strode forward, took hold of his arm, and dragged him back out of rage. But to my surprise, he explained he was sending cards to Rogers instead of playing tricks on him



realization (a boy full of kindness)

- 我瞪大眼睛 吃惊地看着他写的一堆卡片, 突然觉得自己可能弄错了。

My eyes widened, and looked at the cards he wrote in wonder. The thought that I might be wrong occurred **to** me.

- 我心里咯噔一下, 想到自己可能错怪他了。

With a jolt, I realized that I might have made a mistake.



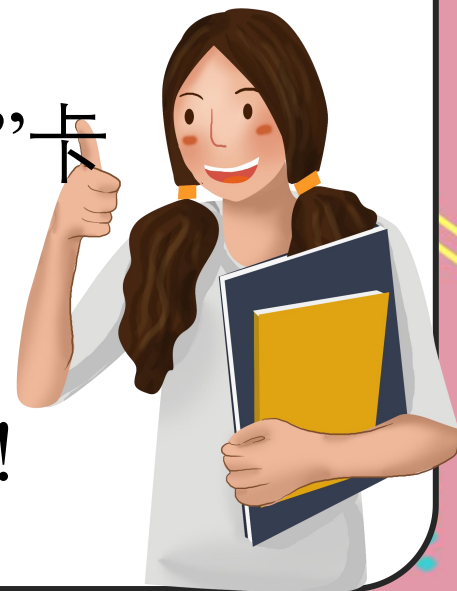


- 我往盒子里面 仔细看，果然有很多卡片。我就像被泼了一桶冷水，一下子就明白了。

I peered inside and found loads of cards there as he told. Understanding hit me like a bucket of cold water.

- 我逐渐才意识到他是在往里面放卡片而不是“偷”卡片。

Only gradually did I become aware that he was putting cards into it instead of stealing them!





- 看到他真诚的眼神，我突然想到自己可能忽视他的善意。

It struck/hit me that I might fail to see his kindness.

- 我目不转睛地盯着他，内心涌起一股对他的欣赏。疑云消除，我赶紧跑过去帮助他。

I fixed my eyes on him steadily, a wave of sudden appreciation rising inside. With my confusion dissolved, I rushed forward to help him.

One Possible Version:

The more I watched my next-door neighbor, the more confused I became. Instead of taking valentine cards out of the box, he was putting them in. But whatever he did, I was sure it was wrong. I scolded him for picking on(欺负) the poor kid. Michael just kept working and denied playing a trick. He explained that he was the last person to pass out his valentines before break. When he got to Michael Rogers' box, he noticed it was empty. No one remembered to make the new kid a card. So actually he was giving him his cards. After all, the cards he received from classmates all said "Michael" on them.

I stood there, not quite believing what I was hearing. "You mean you're doing something nice?" I asked. "Of course. When haven't I been nice?" he teased. I blinked but gave no reply. I helped Michael to shake out his cards through the slot(扁口) in his valentine box. Then we stuffed(填满) the cards into Michael Rogers' box. I felt a mixture of embarrassment and satisfaction striking into my heart. Maybe I had misunderstood him and maybe he's even kind of sweet...in a hidden sort of way.

出现问题

I stood there, not quite believing what I was hearing. Michael Peterson and Michael Rogers are brother. No wonder their last name is same. In that time, I known why Peterson's hand will in trouble. In Until the teacher became, teacher blamed the brothers, because they always play tricks with other. Today is Valentine's Day, every classmates should exchange the card, can't play tricks other. Then we become the good friends. ~~We~~ ~~we~~

关系搞混





The more I watched my next-door neighbor, the more confused I became. Out of cation, I walked to him in order to ~~find out~~ know his true purpose. "My cards fallen into the box. Help me!" He said. The worry about he was stealing Michael Rogers's cards turned into bubbles, so I helped ~~to~~ him due to the fact that I was afraid the small mistake ~~will~~ would cause big ~~trouble~~ ~~trouble~~. A few minutes later, there were no cards in the box but Michael Roger came back. No sooner had Roger ~~came~~ ^{walked} into the classroom did Michael Peterson shouted: "~~He~~ ^{he} was finding your cards!"

主要人物 负面形象





I stood there, not quite believing what I was hearing. "What^a are you say?" I shouted angrily. He repeated word by word, "I say you're just frigging pussy!" Red color floated around my face, I pushed him to the ground, kicking his ass on the ground. Afterwards, we two kept fighting until the teacher came. Due to the pain of body and mind, I was on the verge of tear, sniffing and telling the teacher what had happened. Ultimately, the teacher gave us a lesson and ~~told~~ warned him that there should not be any trick from ~~now~~ ~~then~~ then on. I smiled, because I knew that I won the battle between trick and ~~sub~~ kindness.

增加人物





第二节：读后续写（满分 25 分）

The more I watched my next-door neighbor, the more confused I became. His hands were still in that box, which seemed like to be trapped in. Seeing I approaching him, he screamed out: "Help me! I couldn't take my hands out!" Then he shot me a helpless glance, with face full of misery. Though I was honestly discontent with him, yet I still spared no efforts to help the poor guy. After his hands were took out of the box, I said: "Listen, Michael Peterson: Michael Rogers is just a new student, so don't play jokes on him!" Dumbfounded, Michael saw me with a surprised expression: "I just want to send my Valentine card to him!"

情节离奇





The more I watched my next-door neighbor, the more confused I became. I even couldn't

stay in one place with him. Why him also play trick to also people, Michael Rogers, he just the new kid, but he wanted me to help him. I runned near to him and shouted: "Enough, Michael Peterson. Why you also do this thing to other people. May your mother not teached you don't do too much trick to other students. Where are your mom?" However, I found the tears was rolling down in his eyes. he said: "My mom died. my father came back twice a year, no one teach me."

中式表达





The more I watched my next-door neighbor, the more confused I became. Because he ~~was~~ ^{is}

Michael Peterson, ~~the~~ someone always trick others. I can't believe he. I ~~that~~ ^{thought} he want to put ~~someing~~ ~~thing~~ in the Michael Rogers' box. He always ~~do~~ ^{does} these things. ~~But~~ To my surprise, only a cards in his feet. I can't believe my eyes, ~~what~~ ^{what} ~~Trickany~~ ^{trick} king not ~~trick~~ ^{trick} others, it's sounds like a joke. But the truth is that. He ~~do~~ ^{do} not ~~have~~ ^{want} ~~trick~~ ^{trick} ~~to~~ Rogers. He only want to ~~celebrate~~ ^{celebrate} send a card to him. ~~Finally~~ ^{Finally} ~~Finally~~ ^{Finally} I choiced help him.

字迹不清





好文欣赏

The more I watched my next-door neighbor, the more confused I became. With his hands going up and down, he carefully collected some cards from his pocket and ^{hid} hide them in Roger's box. I gradually figured out he was putting cards in the box instead of stealing! But why he gave so many cards to Roger? I couldn't understand it so I asked, "Why are you adding so many cards to his box?" He was so concentrated on his work that he didn't even give me a look. "Come on, Michael Roger is new here. Of course he ~~doesn't~~ won't receive many cards. But today is Valentine's Day, how could we let him feel upset on such a wonderful day?"





stood before me

I stood there, not quite believing what I was hearing. ~~Is this one before me the~~

~~Are~~ Michael Peterson I knew? Astonished as I was at his words, I paid him an appreciative look. Though feeling confused, I quickly stepped forward to assist him. After cooperating with each other perfectly for a few moments, we managed to ^{fill} tull Roger's box, which furnished me with a great sense of achievement. When I saw the smile ^{crawl} on Peterson's face, I couldn't stop appreciating his kindness. Maybe even the naughty boy will have a kind "trick" made on the Valentine's Day. Anyway, I believed ^{both} of us had an ^{unforgettable} excellent memory. Happy Valentine's Day!

逻辑清楚
表达流畅
主题积极





The more I watched my next-door neighbor, the more confused I became. It seemed that he
was not doing any **improper** thing, and instead, he was just counting the
number of the valentine cards Michael Rogers had received. However, given
of his previous "crimes", I still asked in a suspicious tone, "What are
you doing on earth? Are you stealing the cards or ~~try~~^{trying} to play a trick
on Rogers? Answer my question!" "What a nonsense! Absolutely not!"
Michael- jumped up like a spring, his face turning scarlet, "I just want
to help Rogers!" Seeing my confused look, he explained, "You know,
he is ~~the~~ new in our class and won't receive many valentine cards. I want
to give him ~~a~~ some extra ones secretly."



I stood there, not quite believing what I was hearing. There was anything but teasing ^{deep} and joking, only love and unintentional concern in his words. With a closer look at the box, I saw some inspiring cards in it, which were definitely ~~be~~ put in recently by Michael Peterson. A current of warmth ^{使形成} leaked from the crack of my heart and eventually crystalized into boiling tears in my eyes. Never in my wildest dream had I pictured that he was such a warm guy. "Sorry, Michael. It's my fault to suspect you. I will help you." Rays of sunshine ^{(光等) 透入} filtered in the classroom through the shining windows, painting our figures on the ground. That day witnessed a vivid explanation of what is Valentine's Day.

表达自然
首尾呼应



The end!

