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Flip The View

Directions: Read both excerpts carefully. Notice how the **point of view** (first-person vs. third-person) changes the way the event is described. Answer the reflection questions using complete sentences and **text evidence**.

Excerpt A: First-Person (Diary Entry Style)

"I clutched the baseball bat as I stepped up to the plate. My heart pounded so loudly I thought everyone could hear it. I told myself I had practiced for this moment, and when the pitcher's arm moved, I swung with all my strength. The crack of the bat rang in my ears—I had done it!"

Excerpt B: Third-Person (Narrator Style)

"Daniel gripped the bat nervously as he walked to the plate. From the stands, the crowd watched silently, sensing the pressure on his shoulders. When the pitch came, he swung hard, and the sharp crack of the bat echoed through the field. Cheers erupted as the ball soared into the outfield."

1. How does the **first-person** perspective make the event feel more personal?

2. How does the **third-person** perspective provide details that the first-person does not?

3. Which version helps you better imagine the event, and why?

4. If you were to retell this event from the pitcher's perspective, how might it sound different?
