

Narrator's Lens Answer Key

1. The narrator's cheerful, personal perspective creates a **happy and upbeat mood**.
2. The second-person narration, with words like *groaning*, *shadows*, and *shiver*, creates a **creepy and tense mood**.
3. By showing Marcus's inner thoughts and feelings, the narrator shapes the tone to be **disappointed and serious**.
4. The excited narrator's focus on the cheering crowd creates a **joyful and energetic mood**.

Teacher Notes/Guide

- Stress the difference between **mood** (reader's feelings) and **tone** (narrator's attitude).
- Have students highlight **descriptive words** that signal the narrator's attitude (e.g., *shining*, *perfect*, *groaning*, *disappointment*, *joy*).
- Differentiation tip:
 - For beginners → focus only on mood.
 - For advanced → ask them to explain how a **different narrator** would change the passage's effect (e.g., a sad narrator describing the same sunny day).
- This builds critical thinking by connecting **narrator's lens** to **reader experience**.