

Hidden Voice Finder Answer Key

1. A toy ball
Clues: Rolled, stuck under the couch, dust, being moved by others.
2. A classroom chair
Clues: Favorite seat, prepares itself, new student sitting on it.
3. A kitchen timer
Clues: Counts minutes, buzzes, owner relies on it.
4. A door
Clues: People pull it open, stands all day, helps people enter.
5. A small animal such as a cat or dog
Clues: Paws, darting, scent, being called back.

Teacher's Guide

- Emphasize that students must look for **indirect clues** such as actions, abilities, and surroundings to infer the narrator's identity.
- Teach students to underline **verbs** and **details** that hint at physical features, limitations, or environments of the narrator.
- For differentiation, offer a chart of common narrator types such as pets, objects, rivals, or locations to spark thinking.
- Encourage students to create their own mystery narrator passage and exchange with partners to guess identities.
- For engagement, allow students to illustrate the narrator after identifying it, helping reinforce the clues they found.
- Extension idea: Have students rewrite a passage from a different character or object in the same scene to explore multiple perspectives.