

The Reporter Perspective

Perspective possibilities

Think about a recent situation that was a challenge for you, where things didn't go to plan. Describe the situation from your point of view.

1. What happened?

2. Who was involved?

3. What were you thinking?

4. How did you react?

5. What were the outcomes?

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Now pretend you're an objective reporter—you know nothing about the background to the situation or how people are thinking. How would you describe the situation? Remember, all you have is an objective view as a bystander, and you're considering all people involved.

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Key differences

Look at the differences in perspective. Where are the clear differences between how you thought about the situation and how an objective bystander would view the situation? What does this tell you about how you viewed the situation? Was your perspective 100% accurate?