

Student Name: _____

Name of Story: _____

Analyzing Short Stories

Read the story and answer the following questions. Give specific examples to support your answers.

1. Does the writer use his or her senses to describe the story? How?

2. Does the writer avoid overusing "I"? If so, give examples where the writer used the word "I" but could have written it another way to avoid using "I." If not, give examples of where the writer could have used "I" but chose not to.

3. Does the writer avoid passive voice? If so, give examples where the writer used active voice. If not, give examples of where the writer used passive voice.

4. Does the writer allow the characters to tell the story? Give examples.

5. Does the writer start with action? If so, paraphrase the action below. If not, write one or two "action" sentences that the writer could have used.
