

perspective

noun

▶ **Say it:** per • spec • tive



Write it: _____

Academic Vocabulary Toolkit

Meaning

the way someone sees or thinks about something

Synonym: point of view

Example

When you have an _____ with a friend, you should try to see the _____ from his or her **perspective**.



Forms

- **Singular:** perspective
- **Plural:** perspectives

Word Partners

- different _____ Jamal and I have **different perspectives** on the issue of global warming.
- from (my/your/his/her/our/their) _____ The governor is considering reducing schools' budgets, but **from my perspective**, we should give schools more funding.
- unique _____ Artists have a **unique perspective** on street graffiti.

Verbal Practice

Talk about It **Read** each sentence and **think** about how you would complete it.

Discuss your idea with your partner using the sentence frame.

Listen carefully to your partner's and classmates' ideas.

Write your favorite idea in the blank.

- 1 People often write letters and e-mails to newspapers and magazines to give their **perspectives** on _____.
- 2 A person with international travel experience has a unique **perspective** on _____.

Writing Practice

Collaborate Work with your partner to complete the sentence using the correct form of **perspective** and appropriate content.

My activity partner and I have different _____ on the issue of _____.

Your Turn Work independently to complete the sentence using the correct form of **perspective** and appropriate content.

From my _____, students at this school should have one free hour every day to _____.

Be an Academic Author Work independently to write two sentences. In your first sentence, use **perspective** in the *singular form* and include a word partner. In your second sentence, use **perspective** in the *plural form*.

① _____

 ② _____

grammar tip

Count nouns name things that can be counted. Count nouns have two forms, singular and plural. To make most count nouns plural, add **-s**.

We have different perspectives on life.

She has some questions.

Write an Academic Paragraph Complete the paragraph using the correct form of **perspective** and original content.

Parents and teenagers often have trouble seeing things from each other's _____
 ① _____ . For example, many teenagers complain that their parents are too _____
 ② _____ about issues like curfews or homework. From a teenager's _____
 ③ _____, parents should trust their children and give them more freedom. However, from a parent's perspective, teenagers need lots of _____
 ④ _____ so that they will grow up to be responsible adults. Although each of these _____
 ⑤ _____ is valid, parents and teenagers often end up _____
 ⑥ _____ with each other. What can parents and teenagers do to gain a better understanding of each other's _____
 ⑦ _____ ?