

# Chapter One

## Lesson Five

### Point of View 1

*Let's tell the story again from a different point of view.  
Let's start with the point of view of Dorothy  
in the past tense.*

Many years ago, I used to live  
with my uncle Henry and my aunt Em – Henry's wife.  
They were my only family  
because I didn't have any parents.  
We lived on the Great Plains of Kansas and were  
farmers. We had a tiny house.

### Point of View 2

*Let's continue the story, though now in the present tense.*

The tiny house has one room  
and there aren't many things inside it.

There isn't a lot of furniture inside the house – a table,  
a cupboard and three or four chairs around the table.  
The table is in front of the window.

We also have two beds,  
one for me and another for my uncle and aunt.

### Point of View 3

*Now we'll tell part of the story in the present perfect tense.*

Every morning, since she was very young, Dorothy  
has looked out the window that overlooked the little  
garden, but she's never seen anything interesting.  
In the garden, there are neither trees nor flowers.  
The grass isn't even green.  
It's always been gray.  
Everything in their lives has been gray and very sad.  
For years, Uncle Henry and Aunt Em  
have worked very hard.  
They've begun very early and have finished  
late at night, and have never laughed.

### Point of View 4

*The last part will be told in the future tense.*

But despite all her troubles, Dorothy

will be happy because she will have a friend.  
Her friend will be a black dog named Toto.  
He will have long fur,  
bright eyes, and a short tail.  
The dog and the girl will run  
around and play every day.  
They will be best friends and  
will be able to understand each other without words.