

Thomas McAfee: This Is My Living Room (

Answer the following questions in pairs/groups of three.

General questions:

1. Who is telling this story (characterize this person objectively)?
2. What kind of story is this? Characterize the narrative point of view.
3. What is your opinion of him?
4. What do you know about the man in this story that he doesn't know about himself?
5. How does the author give you information about this man? Give examples.

MY LIVING ROOM

6. How does the 1st person narrator see himself? What do the media do to him?
7. What is the narrator's attitude to fire weapons? What weapons has his got? What does he use them for?
8. How does his wife like shotguns? And why not?

MY TWO GIRLS

9. What kind of father would you say the father is? How does he like his daughters?
10. What rules does he want his daughters to follow?

PEOPLE

11. What does the Sam Coates episode prove to a) the narrator , b) the readers?
12. What categories of people (women, men, negroes) does the narrator like best – why?

MY STORE

13. Why does the narrator like his store so much?
14. What kind of store is it?

THIS LIVING ROOM

15. What is the matter with the living room?

PEOPLE

16. The narrator's attitude to Sheriff Claine?

OLD EZMO

17. What is the story about old Ezmo about?

ROSIE

18. What are the narrator's feelings towards his wife?

Why do you think the author (Thomas McAfee) wrote this story?