

Film activate:

Everything has a purpose

HUGO



- 1** “Machines never come with any extra parts...they always come with the exact amount they need. So, I figured if the entire world was one big machine, I couldn’t be an extra part; I had to be here for some reason, and that means you have to be here for some reason too.” Hugo says to Isabelle.
How is Hugo helping Isabelle understand her purpose in life? Support your answer with evidence from the movie.

- 2** Just like Hugo, you need to fix an important machine and this is the missing part. Draw your creation and then explain how your mechanical machine works and what its purpose is.



3 Cinematography is a very important element in films.

What is the camera placement in this image from the movie Hugo?
Is the camera angled above the characters, below the characters, or is it at eye level?

How does the knowledge of camera angles make you understand the characters?



4 EXPERIMENT: Photograph with your phone or camera any object in your house. Make several shots from different angles. How has the appearance of this object changed in each photo? Which image appears the most interesting to you?

Tip: a low angle shot looking up at the characters makes them look more powerful.

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