

APOSTROPHE

Title of Selection: _____

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Apostrophe is a form of direct address in which a speaker, character, or author addresses an inanimate object, an idea, or a person who is either dead or absent as if that thing or person were present and capable of intelligent understanding.

Example from the selection:

What or whom does the speaker address in the apostrophe?

What seems to motivate the speaker?

If the apostrophe is directed to a thing or abstract idea, is this object otherwise personified in the selection?

What overall effect does the apostrophe have in the selection?