

Friendship Perspective Marisa Phan

Shown above are images I created of Bromden and McMurphy. In this particular scene I created they are both looking at each other in ways they interpret one another. I also added some aspects the readers have interpreted as well. The first picture on the left is Bromden. He is walking through the door to his room which he shares with McMurphy. For his facial features I drew him the way I have interpreted how he looks over the course of the book. He is indian/native so he has features that stand out, for example his nose and his hair. McMurphy is looking at him and already knows his *secret*. He is aware he isn't def but isn't aware of the

reasons. As the readers we do know. "It wasn't me who started acting deaf; it was people that first started acting like I was too dumb to hear or see or say anything at all." (pg.179). He was put in a tough position that put him in a corner. Everyone around him perceived him being invisible. Chief Bromden's mouth is crossed out and there are wavelengths within the picture because this is how he is perceived by McMurphy. McMurphy is the only one who can see through him. Although Broom is narrating he makes McMurphy seem more like a friend he depends on.

On the other side, looking to the right, there are already many differences. To point out the background; it is much lighter. As the readers know McMurphy is lying about needing to be in the ward. However, when we look at Chief Broomden the fog is overtaking him, letting him get lost throughout it. McMurphy also has a crown on his head. This is because Broomden idolizes him, he looks up to him and perceives him as someone who can make a difference. Which he has by gambling with the other patients, which is represented by the money symbol in his eye. "A number of players, Ms. Ratchet, have shown marked progress since that basketball team was organized; I think it has proven its therapeutic value." (pg. 175) McMurphy's presents have changed the behavior throughout the whole entire ward. A simple basketball game brought them together and I think has inspired Broomden in a way.

In my drawing there is no color, I drew in charcoal to symbolize the way the pictures are also drawn in the book to match the theme. Broomden and McMurphy seemed to have created a friendship throughout the book. In a way it seems like they both depend on each other. "After McMurphy doesn't stand up for us any longer, some of the Acutes talk and say he's still outsmarting the Big Nurse..." (pg. 150) He stands up for the people in the ward because they have been silenced. They are afraid to speak up because they have the same schedule and are told this all helps them. Broomden is really their only chance to escape, and I think that is part of why McMurphy leans towards him.