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Using your own words and prior knowledge, what is the meaning of the term estranged?

Original Text

Read the excerpt below to determine the meaning of *estranged* using your context clues. Add to your thoughts on what the meaning is and what context clues helped them.

He comes in last: I am not looking at the arch, yet I see him enter. I try to concentrate my attention on those netting-needles, on the meshes of the purse I am forming — I wish to think only of the work I have in my hands, to see only the silver beads and silk threads that lie in my lap; whereas, I distinctly behold his figure, and I inevitably recall the moment when I last saw it; just after I had rendered him, what he deemed, an essential service, and he, holding my hand, and looking down on my face, surveyed me with eyes that revealed a heart full and eager to overflow; in whose emotions I had a part. How near had I approached him at that moment! What had occurred since, calculated to change his and my relative positions? Yet now, how distant, how far estranged we were! So far estranged, that I did not expect him to come and speak to me. I did not wonder, when, without looking at me, he took a seat at the other side of the room, and began conversing with some of the ladies.

How have your thoughts on the meaning of *estranged* changed or stayed the same? What context clues helped you?

Graphic Novel - pg. 64-5

Read the section from the graphic novel where the scene is portrayed visually. How have your thoughts on the meaning of *estranged* changed or stayed the same? What context clues helped you?

Definition

Look up the formal definition. How is this definition similar or different to what you originally thought?



