

Short Story Literary Analysis Terms

Define the following literature terms as you take notes from pp. 196-199. The words with an asterisk () will be defined in class. Some terms will be defined when we read each short story. You may also choose to use the "Literary Terms Handbook" in the back of your textbook for further clarification.*

1. Main effect

2. Character

a. Protagonist*

b. Antagonist*

c. Major Character*

d. Minor Character*

e. Traits

f. Motives

3. Setting

4. Mood

5. Plot

a. Exposition

b. Inciting incident*

c. Rising action

d. Climax

e. Falling action

f. Resolution

g. Denouement

6. Conflict

a. Internal conflict (Man v. Man / Man v. Nature*)

b. External conflict (Man v. Self*)

7. Theme

8. Symbol

9. Complex Characters

10.Characterization

- a. Direct characterization**

- b. Indirect characterization**

11.Theme

12.Chronological order

13.Flashback

14.Foreshadowing

15.Suspense

16.Point of View

- a. First-person**

- b. Second person**

- c. Third-person limited**

- d. Third-person omniscient**

17. Dramatic irony

18. Epiphany

19. Irony

20. Situational irony

21. Dialogue

22. Tone

23. Dialect

24. Round character

25. Flat character

26. Dynamic character

27. Static character