

Characters

Characters are the **people** or **animals** in a story.

A main character is the most important character in the story.



Setting

The **setting** tells **where** and **when** the story takes place.

The setting is the time, place and environment that a story takes place.



Plot

The **plot** of a story is made up of the **problem**, **important events**, and the **resolution**.

The plot is like a rollercoaster!



Theme

The **theme** is the **central message**.
Theme is what the author wants you to **learn**.
The theme is the **broad idea** about life.

The them is usually not stated but is inferred.



Main Idea

The **main idea** is what the text is **mostly** about.
The **main idea** is the **point** that the author is trying to make.

Think about what the author might be writing about over and over again.



Details

Key details tell **important information** about the story.

Details are the facts or examples that tell more about the information about the main idea.



Climax

The **climax** is the turning point or exciting part of a story or when an action starts.

Reading a story is like climbing a mountain or ladder and the climax is the top.



Solution/Resolution

The **solution** or **resolution** tells how the **problem** in the story **is solved**.

Typically the resolution is at the end of the story and after the climax.



Problem/Conflict

The **problem** or **conflict** is something that causes **trouble** for the characters.

It is the driving force in any story, as it influences the turn of events in the plot.



Retell

To retell is to state the important parts, in the right order.

When we retell, it helps us to understand the story better and remember it longer.



