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Evaluating Fiction

Directions: Answer the questions below to help you analyze the story you are reading. Write your answers on another sheet of paper, and be ready to discuss your answers with your class or group.

Character:

1. Who are the main characters in the story?

2. Are the characters believable? Do they act and speak like real people? Give examples from the story.

3. Who is your favorite character? Why? Who is your least favorite? Why?

Plot:

1. What is the plot of the story?

2. Is the plot believable? Could it be improved? Explain.

Conflict:

1. What is the central conflict of the story?

2. Is the conflict strong enough to hold the reader's interest? Explain and give examples from the story.

Setting:

1. Describe the setting.

2. Is the setting realistic? Explain. What kinds of imagery words did the author use to create the setting?

Theme:

1. What is the theme of the story?

2. Does the story have more than one theme? If yes, what are they?

What is your overall opinion of the story? Explain your answer.