

Point of View

If fiction, which of the following indicates the book’s point of view? (Check one of the following.)

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- first person
- third person
- third person omniscient

Genre

Indicate the genre of your book (Check one of the following.)

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Fiction

- drama
- mystery/Gothic/science fiction
- historical fiction
- fantasy/adventure/fairy tale
- novel

Non-fiction

- biography
- autobiography
- academic (science, history, sociology, etc.)

Conflict

Check off the type of conflict contained in the work and give one sentence explanation. A conflict is the difficulty or obstacle that a protagonist (the main character) must struggle with. Often the three fundamental conflicts are summarized as *man vs. man*, *man vs. himself*, and *man vs. his environment*. A conflict that is *man vs. man* involves opposition from an enemy; that enemy (called an antagonist) could be one person or an entire society (Example: A knight tries to rescue his king from an enemy kingdom). A conflict that is *man vs. himself* involves an inner struggle, such as in the mind or spirit (Example: a child who must decide whether to follow his friends or his conscience). Lastly, a conflict that is *man vs. environment* involves adverse circumstances or a struggle with the elements of “nature” (Examples: climbing a mountain, dealing with poverty, etc.) The book may have more than one conflict.

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man vs. man

Setting

In one or two sentences write down the time and place that the author has set his characters in.

(10) _____

Theme

In one sentence, tell the major theme of the book. The theme is an idea or ideas that the author communicates to the reader through the details of his fictional work. Do not confuse theme with plot. The plot is what happens in the story, while the theme of a story is its meaning. In Shakespeare’s *Romeo and Juliet*, for example, a young man and woman fall in love, marry, and die tragic deaths because of a feud between their families. That is the plot of the drama. The theme of the drama, the meaning behind what happens in the play, can be stated this way: “Children are often innocent sacrifices to their parents’ or society’s cruelty.”

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Bibliography

Write down the author's name, title of the book, place of publication, publisher, and date of publication.

If the book is a re-print or new edition of a classic, follow the second example.

White, E.B. *Charlotte's Web*. New York: Harper Collins,1952.

Browning, Robert. *The Ring and the Book*. 1868-69; New Ed. New York: Heritage Press, 1949.

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