



Story Element Ease

Objective

The student will identify story elements.

Materials

- ▶ Narrative texts
Choose three stories, books, or other texts that students have read. Put a number on each text. Choose stories that can be compared and contrasted.
- ▶ Story element header cards
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Laminate.
- ▶ Vis-à-Vis® markers

Activity

Students write information related to story elements and sort into appropriate categories.

1. Place header cards face up in a row. Place the story element cards face down in a stack. Provide each student with a copy of the texts.
2. Students review and discuss each of the texts.
3. Taking turns, students select the top card from the stack and read the category printed at the bottom of the card.
4. Write the title of the text that corresponds to the number on the card. Write information related to the story element and place in column under matching header card.
5. Continue until all cards are sorted.
6. Discuss the similarities and differences among the texts.
7. Peer evaluation

characters setting problem solution theme plot

Title #1 The Lion's Tale
monkey, lion, and alligator
in the jungle

Title #2 The Terrific Trio
Tim, Jim, Keith

Title #3

Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Record answers.
- ▶ Use 3-way Venn diagram to compare three stories.
- ▶ Choose multiple stories, write information related to the six story elements, mix into a stack, use headers, and take turns sorting.

Comprehension

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characters

header

setting

header

problem

header

solution

header

theme

header

plot

header

story element header cards



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plot			
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characters			
story	Title #1	Title #2	Title #3

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blank cards

