

Creative Writing  
Short Story Evaluation  
Structure & Components

Answer the following questions in order to take a closer look at the structure and components of a short story.

1. List important characters. Which type of characterization is used? Give one specific example from the text of either direct or indirect characterization.
2. List and categorize any conflicts present in the story.
3. What is the setting? (TIME AND PLACE)
4. In what point of view is this story written?
5. Name one of the primary themes. How do you know this theme applies?
6. Does the author use suspense, irony, or symbolism? Explain how these devices are used.