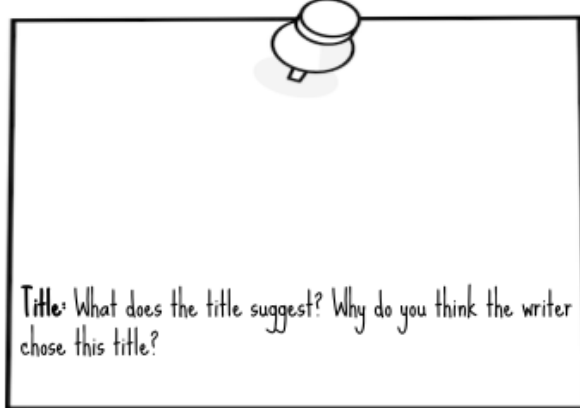
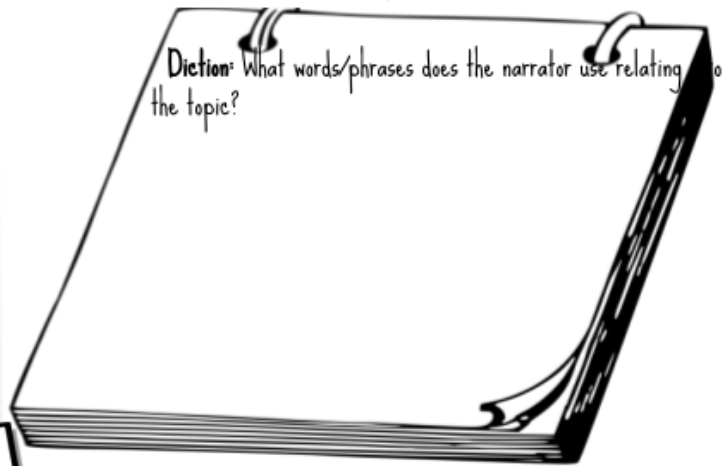


Theme: Graphic Organizer

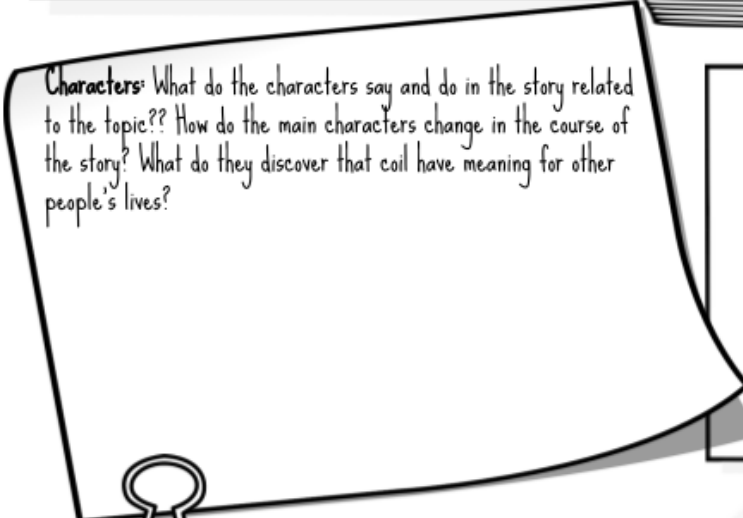
Theme is the message the author wants to convey to the reader about life. It goes beyond simply a topic - such as 'friendship' or 'happiness'. When identifying the theme in a piece of literature, ask yourself: What is the author trying to teach me about this topic? A **theme** is arguable - but you must be able to back it up with evidence from the text. Good literature will have multiple themes in one text. Fill out the chart below using direct quotes from the text.



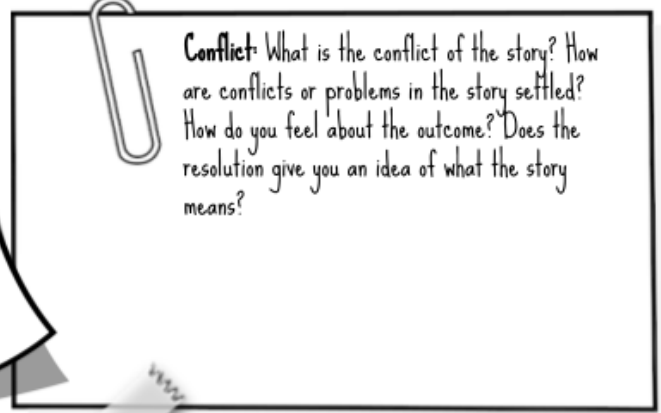
Title: What does the title suggest? Why do you think the writer chose this title?



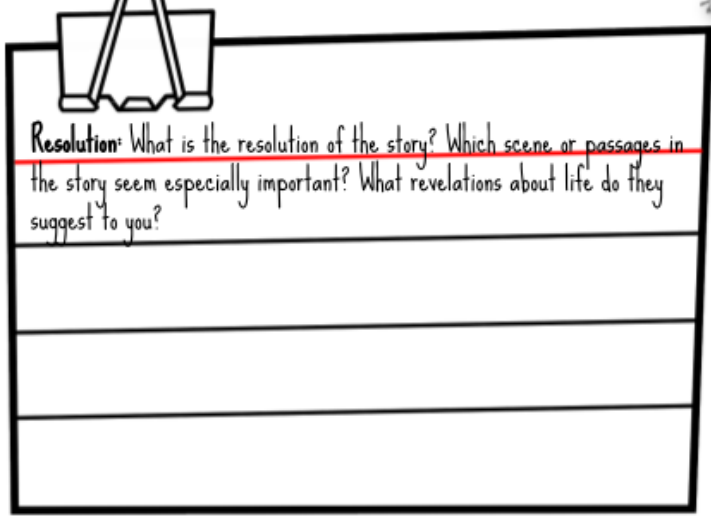
Diction: What words/phrases does the narrator use relating to the topic?



Characters: What do the characters say and do in the story related to the topic?? How do the main characters change in the course of the story? What do they discover that coil have meaning for other people's lives?



Conflict: What is the conflict of the story? How are conflicts or problems in the story settled? How do you feel about the outcome? Does the resolution give you an idea of what the story means?



Resolution: What is the resolution of the story? Which scene or passages in the story seem especially important? What revelations about life do they suggest to you?



Theme: What is the author trying to teach the reader about life? What lesson does the character learn about life? How does the lesson apply to the lives of others? What is one word to summarize the lesson? What evidence can i cite to support the theme?

THEME: Things to consider

TO FIND THE THEME, REFLECT ON: WHAT LESSON IS LEARNED FROM THE TEXT?

Questions to Consider:

- HOW DO CHARACTERS RESPOND TO MAJOR CHALLENGES?
- HOW DO CHARACTERS OVERCOME OBSTACLES OR SOLVE THEIR PROBLEM?
- WHAT DO YOU LEARN FROM THE CHANGES THE MAIN CHARACTER UNDERGOES?
- WHAT IDEA DOES THE WRITER WISH TO CONVEY ABOUT THE SUBJECT?