Name _____

Reading Strategy Format 1

1. **Analyze** (break down word by word, take apart, examine from many angles) the Title. Describe in detail (What do you think this story is about from the TITLE ALONE!)

2. How does the story open (what's the beginning like.) Identify the beginning characters and or opening situation.

3. What is the problem or presented conflict that arises?

4. What sequence of events, ideas, or actions begin to take place? Describe in detail.

5. What are some of the characters you meet in the story? Are they human or animal? Are the real or unreal? Are they objects or persons?

6. Where does the story take place (setting: time and place).

7. What is the climax or high point of the story?

8. How is the problem solved (resolution?)

9. What theme is presented (central message; moral)?

10. What is mood (feeling) or tone (attitude of the writer) of the story?