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Fiction Notes

1. Fiction - Stories that come from a writer's imagination.

Two forms of fiction:

- Short Stories - can be read in one sitting and revolves around one idea

- Novel - a longer work of writing and has a more complicated plot.

2. Plot - the sequence of events in a story

Conflict - a problem or struggle between opposing forces

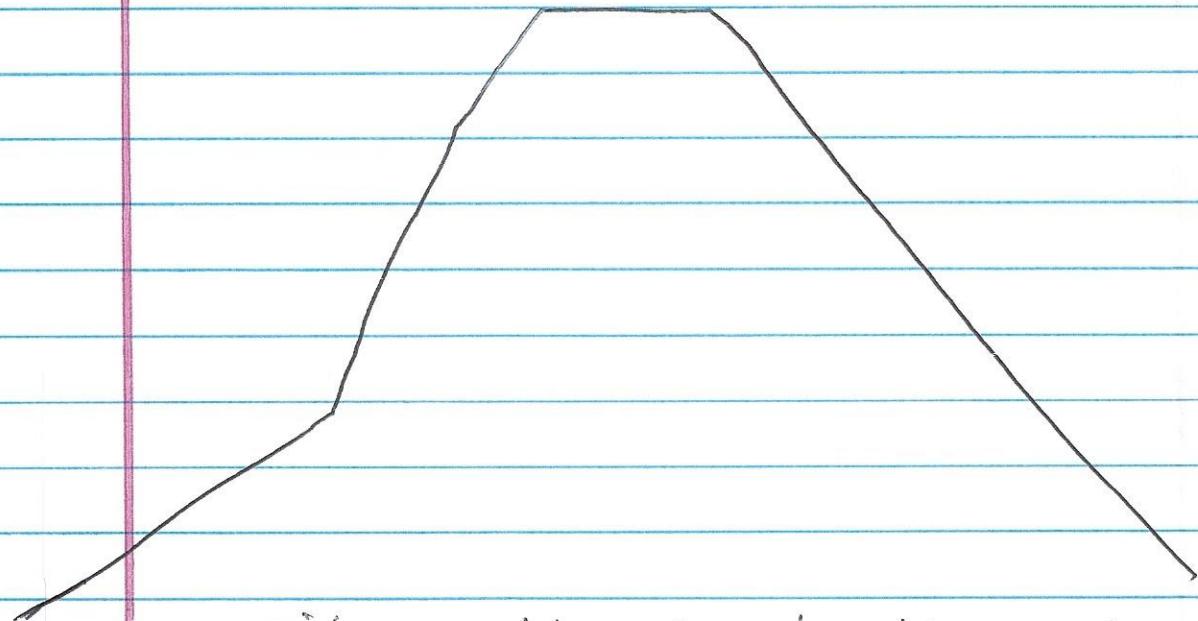
- Plots develop in 4 stages

- a) Exposition - Introduction of the characters and the setting (beginning)

- b) Rising Action - Reader is introduced to the central conflict and the plot becomes more complex. Suspense builds

c) climax - the turning point of the story. The action peaks. the outcome of the conflict is decided. Causes a change in the character

d) falling action - occurs at the conclusion of the story (the end)



exposition - the character thinks he's going to die

Rising action -

Climax -

Falling action -

3. Characters - are the people, animals, or imaginary creatures who take part in the action.

- a) main characters - the character who the story is mostly about
- b) minor characters - interact with the main character and move the story along.

Characters defined by:

- 1. traits - permanent qualities in their personality
- 2. Motive - the reasons they act the way they do.

4 Setting - the time and place the story takes place.

5. Theme - the moral, message, or what the author wants you to learn.