Literary Terms

Objective: The student will identify the setting, plot, point of view, theme, and main characters of the realistic fiction selections they have read.

Standard: Uses reading skills and strategies to understand and interpret a variety of literary texts

Benchmark: Makes inferences and draws conclusions about story elements

Skill Development: Familiarity with the literary terms setting, plot, point of view, theme, and main characters

Organization: Whole-class activity

Materials

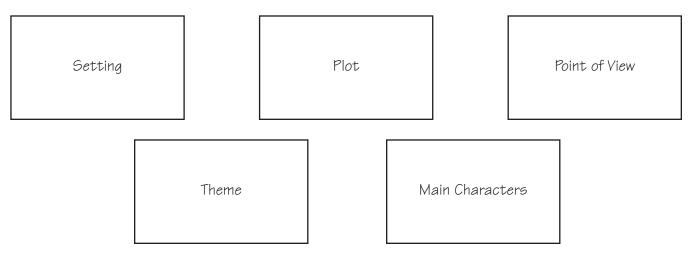
• index cards

• markers

• coffee can (decorated)

Procedure

- 1. It is important for your students to become familiar with literary terms, such as setting, plot, point of view, theme, and main characters.
- 2. Write each term (setting, plot, point of view, theme, and main characters) on a different index card. Place the cards in a decorated coffee can.
- 3. Invite a student to select a card from the can.
- 4. The student reads the card aloud.
- 5. Then the student thinks of a realistic fiction story and gives a clue, such as, "The setting for the story is Pennsylvania."
- 6. Other students in the class raise their hands and try to guess the story.
- 7. When a student gives a correct response, he or she is the next to select a card from the can.



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