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| Unit - Literary Analysis | Name  |
| Topic - Plot Analysis Notes from Glossary of Literary and non-Fiction Terms pp. R102-R112 | Date |
| Questions | Notes | Additions made in Class |
| Define plotList the five stages of a plot. | **Plot - definition*** Series of events
* That center on conflict

**A plot has five stages*** Exposition
* Rising Action
* Climax
* Falling Action
* Resolution
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| Define conflict.List and explain the three categories of conflict. | **Conflict - definition*** A struggle between opposing forces

**Three Categories of Conflict**External conflict* Character struggles against a force outside himself or herself
* Examples
	+ Nature
	+ Physical Object
	+ Another character

Internal conflict* Occurs within the character’s mind

Cultural conflict* Arises because of differing values, beliefs, circumstances between two groups
 | Another way of organizing conflicts - **Universal Conflicts**Character v.* Character
* Self
* Natre
* Society
* Technology
* High Spiritual Power
* Etc.
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| Define exposition.What three things must be introduced in the exposition.  | **Exposition - 1st stage of the plot*** Provides importan background information
* Introduces (JUST A HINT)
	+ Setting
	+ Main character
	+ Conflict
 | In the first paragraph(Sometimes a bit in the second paragraph) |
| Define rising action. | **Rising Action - 2nd stage of the plot*** Develops the conflict
* Events occur that increase the conflict (or increase the readers’ understanding of the conflict)
* Events build toward climax
 | Short Story – * One step per paragraph or dialogue (rarely two)

Novel – * One, sometimes two, steps per chapter
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| Define climax. | **Climax- 3rd stage of the plot*** Occurs near the end of the story
* Conflict is ~~resolved~~ ended
* Outcome becomes clear
 | Short Story – * Last Page

Novel – * End of the next to last chapter
* Beginning of the last chapter

Climax is a single sentence* Before the climax there is tension
* After the climax there is no tension
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| Define falling action. | **Falling Action - 4th stage of the plot*** Story begins to draw to a close
* Shows results of the decision or action tat happened in the climax
* Tension eases
 | Commonly 3 - 5 steps  |
| Define resolution.Describe the resolution of a movie and explain how that resolution emphasizes the theme of the movie. | Resolution - 5th stage of the plot* where the story ends
* a final picture left in the readers' minds in the last paragraph
* like the freeze frame at the end of a movie
* should emphasize the theme of the story

Below, describe the resolution, or freeze frame, at the end of a movie you are familiar with that emphasizes the theme of the movie. Example given in class by Ben P.* **Movie** – *Forrest Gump*
* **Description of resolution (freeze frame at the end o the movie) –**

Forrest is a single dad , as jenny has died, putting his son on the bus to school and he drops the *Curious George* book he had had when he was a child that he is now reading to his son and a feather floats down from an empty sky as it had earlier in the film.* Explanation of how that freeze frame emphasizes the theme of the movie –

The theme seems to be that Forrest is a great dad just as he has always been a great person because he is like Curious George: he approaches everything in life with a positive attitude as an adventure, as life is a blessing. The feather represents the angel(s) in heaven who look over Forrest, his mother and now Jenny. |  |
| Define theme. | **Theme*** The message
* about life or human nature
* Must often be inferred, as never really stated in the story
 | NOT A MORAL!!!Often difficult to put into words |