

Narrative Fiction

- **Narrative** writing is any kind of writing that tells a _____. That's because "narrative" means _____.
- **Fiction** writing is based on _____ events or stories that did not actually happen.
- When reading **narrative fiction**, a reader analyzes how its parts—its characters, settings, mood, and events—work _____ to create _____.
- Like an informational text, a narrative fiction story will also have a central idea. In fiction writing, the central idea is the _____.
- Some story details are **explicit**, or _____.
- The reader might have to make an **inference**, or an _____ based on _____ in the story and his or her own knowledge.

Review of Literary Devices:

- **plot/structure** - a literary term used to describe the _____ that make up a story, or the main part of a story
- **character**- any _____, a figure, an inanimate object, or animal in a story
- **setting**- an _____ or _____ in which an event or story takes place
- **theme**- a main idea or an underlying _____ of a literary work, which may be stated directly or indirectly
- **symbol**- an object, action or event _____ another, to give an entirely different meaning that is much deeper and more significant
- **mood**- a literary element that evokes certain _____ or _____ in readers through words and descriptions

Question 5 in Questions Section:

How does the beginning of this passage develop the little boy’s character in the story?

- a. Rather than being immature, the little boy is shown to be clever.
- b. Rather than focusing on the kidnapping, the little boy attempts to find the fun in the situation.
- c. Rather than feeling sorry for himself, the little boy focuses on survival.
- d. Rather than being fearful, the little boy is established as being a handful.

HINT:

Evidence	Inference
“The kid was in the street, throwing rocks at a kitten on the opposite fence.”	What inference can you make about the boy based on the evidence?
“The boy catches Bill neatly in the eye with a piece of brick.”	
“That boy put up a fight like a welter-weight cinnamon bear...”	

Question 6 in Questions Section:

PART A: What does the word “prominent” in the paragraph most likely mean?

We selected for our victim the only child of a **prominent** citizen named Ebenezer Dorset. The father was respectable and tight, a mortgage fancier and a stern, upright collection-plate passer and forecloser. The kid was a boy of ten, with bas-relief freckles, and hair the colour of the cover of the magazine you buy at the news-stand when you want to catch a train. Bill and me figured that Ebenezer would melt down for a ransom of two thousand dollars to a cent. But wait till I tell you.

- a. Large
- b. Charitable
- c. Distinguished
- d. Friendly

HINT: To figure out the meaning of the word “prominent”, answer the following questions...

How is the word “prominent” being used? Who is it describing?

Are there any other words used to describe the same character?

Question 7 in Questions Section:

PART B: Which of the following phrases best supports the answer to Part A?

- a. "The father was respectable"
- b. "a mortgage fancier"
- c. "stern, upright"
- d. "collection-plate passer"

Question 9 in Questions Section:

PART A: Which of the following best describes a theme of the text?

- a. There may be unintended consequences of committing a crime.
- b. Children can be more challenging than adults.
- c. Greed will only lead to tragedy.
- d. Parents should be more involved in their children's lives.

HINT: To figure out the theme of the passage, answer the following questions...

What was the kidnappers' plan at the beginning of the text?

Did the plan work? How was the outcome different than they planned?