

The Five Essential Elements Of A Story

A story has five basic but important elements. These five components are: the

Characters, the setting, the plot, the conflict, and the resolution. These essential elements keep the

Story running smoothly and allow the action to develop in a logical way that the reader can follow.

CHARACTERS

The characters are the individuals that the story is about. The author should introduce the

Characters in the story with enough information that the reader can visualize each person.

This is achieved by providing detailed descriptions of a character's physical attributes

And personality traits. Every story should have a main character. The main character

Determines the way the plot will develop and is usually who will solve the problem the

Story centers upon. However, the other characters are also very important because they

Supply additional details, explanations, or actions. All characters should stay true to the

Author's descriptions throughout the story so that the reader can understand and believe

The action that is taking place—and perhaps even predict which character may do what

Next.

SETTING