

Features of Narrative Writing Summary Sheet

What is a Narrative Text?

Narrative texts tell a story. A narrative involves a character or characters in a specific time and place encountering a challenge or participating in an activity or experience.



What are the Parts of a Narrative?

Characters – Who?

- The individual(s) the story is about
- The main character is usually the person/animal/thing who will solve the problem involved in the conflict
- Supporting characters add details, actions, and explanations to deepen the story.
- Need to include enough details about them that the reader can picture them clearly

Setting – Where? When?

- The time and place in which the characters are and the plot is taking place.
- Need to describe the environment/surroundings in detail to help the reader visualize the scene



Plot – What? How?

- The events that are central to the story
- How certain events lead to others
- Usually chronological, but not always
- Needs a very clear beginning, middle, and end



Conflict

- The problem the characters need to solve
- The part of the story where the most excitement usually happens



Resolution

- The way the conflict is resolved or solved
- Comes at the end of the story

