



ELEMENTARY STORY MAP EXPLANATION

STEP 1

- Display the Elementary Story Map for students.
- Explain that the five elements of a story have the same meaning as the common headings shown in each section of the Map.
- Explain that each story they read or write has these five elements.
- Fill in the map using a common story (*Cinderella*, *Little Red Riding Hood*) so students can see the process.

STEP 2

- Choose a common story for the class to read and analyze.
- Fill in each section of the Elementary Story Map as a class.

STEP 3

- Distribute Elementary Story Map to students.
- Assign one story for all students to read.
- Have students individually fill in the Elementary Story Map.
- Have students share their work with the class and compare what they've written to that of their classmates.

ELEMENTARY STORY MAP

SETTING when and where	SOMEBODY character	WANTED conflict rising action	BUT climax	SO falling action resolution