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Literary Elements Notebook Check

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# Notebook Check #1:

# THE ELEMENTS OF LITERATURE

**Modeled Through the Fairy Tale “Cinderella”**

1-) **Setting**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*



2-) **Characters**:

a-) **Protagonist**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*

 b-) **Antagonist**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*

3-) **Point of View**:

a-) **First Person:**

b-) **Third Person:**

 **1. Third Person Omniscient:**

 **2. Third Person Limited:**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*



4-) **Theme**:

a-) **Stated Theme:**

b-) **Implied Theme:**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*

5-) **Plot**:

6-) **Conflict**:

a-) **External Conflict:**

b-) **Internal Conflict:**

**Exposition**

**Rising Action**

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**Falling Action**

**Resolution**

**THE PARTS OF A PLOT**

1-) **Exposition:**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*

2-) **Rising Action::**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*

3-) **Climax:**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*

4-) **Falling Action:**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*

5-) **Resolution:**

*Example from “Cinderella”:*

**Notebook check #2:**

**Literary Elements Cooperative Grouping Activity Information Recording**

*Names of Group Members*:

**Station 1: “Rapunzel”**

Protagonist: Antagonist:

Other Characters:

Point of View:

Internal Conflict:

External Conflict:

**Station 2: “The Elves and the Shoemaker”**

Theme:

Stated or Implied:

Definition of it:

Connect to the Text:

**Station 3: “Jack and the Beanstalk”**

Exposition:

Rising Action Event 1:

Rising Action Event 2:

Rising Action Event 3:

Rising Action Event 4:

Climax:

Falling Action:

Resolution:

**Notebook check #3: What IS IRONY?**

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| **Definition** | **Example** |
| **Dramatic Irony** | **(1)** |
| **(2)** |
| **(3)** |
| **Situational Irony** | **(1)** |
| **(2)** |
| **(3)** |
| **Verbal Irony** | **(1)** |
| **(2)** |
| **(3)** |

**Notebook check #4Identifying Examples of Literary Elements**

*Define each of the following literary element and figurative language term. Identify and be able to explain examples.*

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| **STATION 1** | Examples |
|  simile-  |  |
| implied metaphor  |  |
| extended metaphor |  |
| direct metaphor   |  |
| mixed metaphor |  |
| **STATION 2** | Examples |
| alliteration  |  |
| assonance   |  |
| onomatopoeia  |  |
| **STATION 3** | Examples |
| Flashback |  |
| Foreshadowing |  |
| **STATION 4** | Examples |
| Paradox |  |
| Oxymoron |  |
| hyperbole  |  |
| idiom  |  |
| personification  |  |
| Pun |  |
| **STATION 5** | Examples |
| Direct characterization |  |
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| Indirect characterization |  |
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| **STATION 6** | Examples |
| Allusion |  |
| Symbol/symbolism |  |
| Allegory |  |

**Notebook check #5: “A Man Who Had No Eyes”**

by MacKinlay Kantor

**Directions: After reading “A Man Who Had No Eyes,” read each of the questions and respond to them accordingly or in complete sentences.**

**Highlight the description of the beggar. What is he wearing?**

**Is this direct or indirect characterization?**

***Paraphrase* the information from *paragraph three* of the story which describes Mr. Parsons**

**Why does the beggar speak to Mr. Parsons?**

 A beggar was coming down the avenue just as Mr. Parsons emerged from his hotel.

 He was a blind beggar, carrying the traditional battered cane, and thumping his way before him with a cautious, half-furtive effort of the sightless. He was a shaggy, thick-necked fellow; his coat was greasy about the lapels and pockets, and his hand splayed over the cane's crook with a futile sort of clinging. He wore a black pouch slung over his shoulder. Apparently he had something to sell.

 The air was rich with spring; sun was warm and yellowed on the asphalt. Mr. Parsons, standing there in front of his hotel and noting the clack-clack approach of the sightless man, felt a sudden and foolish sort of pity for all blind creatures.

 And, thought Mr. Parsons, he was very glad to be alive. A few years ago he had been little more than a skilled laborer; how he was successful, respected, admired . . .Insurance . . .And he had done it alone, unaided, struggling beneath handicaps . . .and he was still young. The blue air of spring, fresh from its memories of windy cools and lush shrubbery, could thrill him with eagerness.

 He took a step forward just as the tap-tapping blind man passed him by. Quickly the shabby fellow turned. "Listen, guv'nor. Just a minute of your time."

 Mr. Parsons said, "It's late. I have an appointment. Do you want me to give you something?"

 "I ain't no beggar guv'nor. You bet I ain't. I got a handy little article here"--he fumbled until he could press a small object into Mr. Parsons' hand--"that I sell. One buck. Best cigarette lighter made."

 Mr. Parsons stood there, somewhat annoyed and embarrassed. He was a handsome figure with his immaculate gray suit and gray hat and Malacca stick. Of course the man with the cigarette lighters could not see him. . ."But I don't smoke," he said.

 "Listen. I bet you know plenty people who smoke. Nice little present," wheedled the man. "And mister, you wouldn't mind helping a poor guy out?" He clung to Mr. Parsons' sleeve.

 Mr. Parsons sighed and felt in his vest pocket. He brought out two half dollars and pressed them into the man's hand. "Certainly. I'll help you out. As you say, I can give it to someone. Maybe the elevator boy would--” He hesitated, not wishing to be boorish and inquisitive, even with a blind peddler. "Have you lost your sight entirely?"

 The shabby man pocketed the two half dollars. "Fourteen years, guv'nor." Then he added with an insane sort of pride: "Westbury, sir. I was one of 'em.”

 "Westbury," repeated Mr. Parsons. "Ah, yes. The chemical explosion . . .The papers haven't mentioned it for years. But at the same time it was supposed to be one of the greatest disasters in--"

 "They've all forgot about it." The fellow shifted his feet wearily. "I tell you, guv'nor, a man who was in it don't forget about it. Last thing I ever saw was C shop going up in one grand smudge, and gas pouring in at all the busted windows."

 Mr. Parsons coughed, but the blind peddler was caught up with the train of his one dramatic reminiscence. And also, he was thinking that there might be more half dollars in Mr. Parsons' pocket.

 "Just think about it, guv'nor. There was 108 people killed, about 200 injured, and over 50 of them lost their eyes. Blind as bats--" He groped forward until his dirty hand rested against Mr. Parsons' coat. "I tell you, sir, there wasn't nothing worse than that in the war. If I had lost my eyes in the war, OK. I would have been well took care of. But I was just a workman, working for what was in it. And I got it. You're darn right I got it, while the capitalists were making their dough! They was insured, don't worry about that. They--"

 "Insured," repeated his listener. "Yes. That's what I sell--"

 "You want to know how I lost my eyes," cried the man. "Well, here it is!" His words fell with the bitter and studied drama of a story often told, and told for money. "I was there in C shop, last of all the folks rushing out. Out in the air there was a chance, even with buildings exploding right and left. A lot of guys made it safe out the door and got away. And just when I was about there, crawling along between those big vats, a guy behind me grabs my leg. He says, 'Let me pass, you—!' Maybe he was nuts. I dunno. I try to forgive him in my heart, guv'nor. But he was bigger than me. He hauled me back and climbs right over me! Tramples me into the dirt. And he gets out, and I lie there with all that poison gas pouring down on all sides of me, and flame and stuff …” He swallowed--a studied sob--and stood dumbly expectant. He could imagine the next words: ‘Tough luck, my man. Now, I want to—‘

 "That's the story, guv'nor."

 The spring wind shrilled past them, damp and quivering.

 "Not quite," said Mr. Parsons.

 The blind peddler shivered crazily. "Not quite? What do you mean you--"

"The story is true," Mr. Parsons said, "except that it was the other way around."

 "Other way around?" he croaked unamiably. "Say, guv'nor--"

 "I was in C shop, " said Mr. Parsons. "It was the other way around. You were the fellow who hauled back on me and climbed over me. You were bigger than I was, Marks."

 The blind man stood for a long time, swallowing hoarsely. He gulped: "Parsons. By God. By God! I thought you--" And then he screamed fiendishly: "Yes. Maybe so. Maybe so. But I’m blind. I’m blind! And you’ve been standing here letting me spout to you, and laughing at me every minute! I’m blind!”

 People in the street turned to stare at him.

 “You go away, but I’m blind! Do you hear? I’m—“

 "Well," said Mr. Parsons, "don't make such a row about it, Marks. So am I."

**Summarize what Marks Says happened during the Westbury chemical explosion. Why does the beggar tell Mr. Parsons about the explosion?**

**What does “He swallowed – a studied sob-” tell us about the beggar’s motives? Is this direct or indirect characterization?**

**What can you infer about Marks’s life after the Westbury chemical explosion?**

**Highlight at least two specific details the author revealed throughout the text that led you to conclude that Mr. Parsons was blind. What literary element is this?**

**How has each man’s character determined (or created) the path he took in life (i.e. the plot of his life’s story)?**

**What do you think McKinley Kantor’s theme is in this story (his message for you)?**