**SUMMARIZING**

Only IMPORTANT information—Characters, conflict, how the problem is solved, how the story ends. What information should be in the summary of the story?

**CLIMAX**

Reader finally finds out how the character will solve or try to solve the problem.

**RESOLUTION**

The end where all loose ends are tied up. The happily ever after!

**RISING ACTION**

**READING SKILLS**

*Inference* –Educated guess based on author’s clues \*Must be able to support with evidence from the story!

*Conclusion—*Prediction

INITIATING EVENT: event that starts the main problem/conflict

SUSPENSE: feeling of anxiety

FORESHADOWING: clues that will happen in the story

**SETTING**: WHEN and WHERE a story takes place

*How does the setting affect the plot or characters??*

**THEME:** the life lesson the reader should learn from the story (*All good deeds are rewarded. Be careful what you wish for*.)

**CONFLICT**

The struggle between opposing forces.

MAIN CONFLICT: central problem that the character struggles to overcome during the story.

NO STORY WITHOUT CONFLICT.

INTERNAL CONFLICT: takes place inside the character’s mind. (Individual vs. self)

 **(INFERENCING—EDUCATED GUESS)**

EXTERNAL CONFLICT: between character and an outside force.

* *Individual vs. Individual*: between character and

another character

* *Individual vs. Nature*: between character and

nature

* *Individual vs. Society*: between character and a

group or people or the government

* *Individual vs. Supernatural*: between a character

and something not of this world

* *Individual vs. Technology*: between a character

and a technological device

**FALLING ACTION**

Events that occur right after the climax. Explains how the character deals with the climax.

**EXPOSTION**

**CHARACTER:** Anyone or thing who plays a part in a

 story

 *Dynamic*: character that changes

 *Static*: Character that stays the same

DIRECT CHARACTERIZATION: author TELLS you hat character traits the character has.

INDIRECT CHARACTERIZATION: YOU decide what character traits the character has.

 WORDS: what the character says

 ACTIONS: what the character does

APPEARANCE: what the character looks like

THOUGHTS: what the character thinks or feels

EFFECT ON OTHERS: how others treat the

character or what others say about the character

MOTIVATION: What make us do things the way we do.