

Grade 9 English Exam Review

Section 1 - Literary Terms

1. Be prepared to define the following terms in complete sentences.

rising action	alliteration
onomatopoeia	idiom
symbolism	hyperbole
personification	climax
exposition	oxymoron
atmosphere	irony
metaphor	paradox
foreshadowing	cacophony
conflict	pun
allusion	cliche

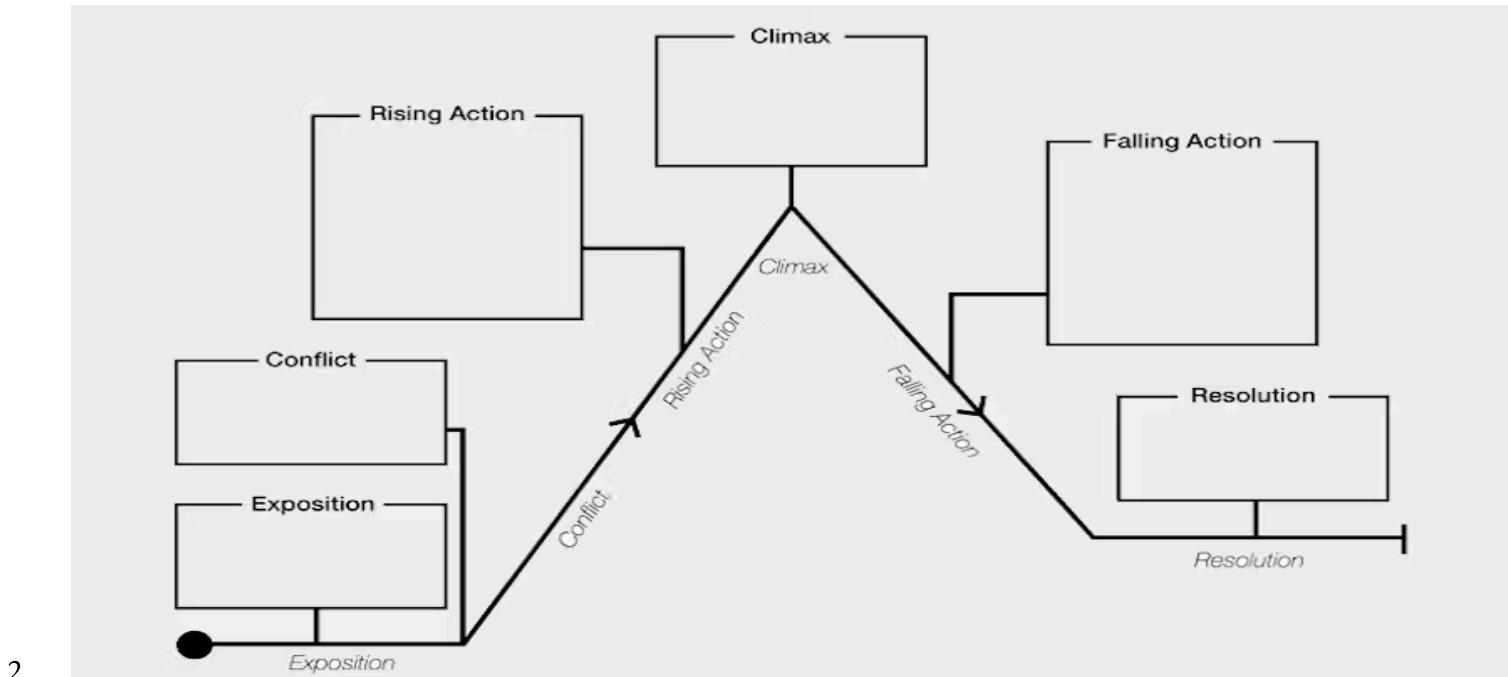
Know the following topics in grammar:

Capitalization
Commas
Semicolon
Colon
Coordinating Conjunction
Correlative Conjunction
Subordinate Conjunction
Forms of “to be”
Indirect and direct object
Pronoun
Predicate noun

Section 2 - Elements of Fiction

You will read a short story that you have not read for class. You will be required to answer the following questions about it on a separate sheet of paper. For your review - use one of our short stories to analyze and prepare.

1. Draw and label a plot diagram for this short story.



3. What is the theme of this story? Provide evidence from the story.
4. Who is the antagonist and who is the protagonist? Why do you think that?
5. What is ironic about the situation? Provide evidence from the story.
6. What types(s) of conflict are introduced in this story? Provide evidence from the story.

Section 3 - Novel Study

Know the following for your book:

Part A: Understanding the Story

1. Describe one important event from the novel that significantly affected the direction of the story. Explain why this moment mattered.
2. Who is the main character? Explain how this character changes, grows, or reveals important traits over the course of the novel.
3. Identify the most important conflict in the novel. Explain how this conflict affects the characters or drives the plot forward.

Part B: Thinking About Meaning

4. In a paragraph, what is the central theme that the novel explores? Explain how the author develops this idea through characters or events.
5. In a paragraph, describe one choice the author made (for example: an ending, a character decision, or a turning point). Explain how this choice shapes the reader's understanding of the story.

Part C: Reflection and Interpretation

6. Choose a moment from the novel that stood out to you. In a paragraph, explain why this moment is memorable and what it reveals about the story.
7. In a paragraph, what happens at the end of the novel, and why is the ending impactful (or not)?
8. In a paragraph, describe what you think readers are meant to remember after finishing this novel. Support your answer with an example from the text.