**Elements of a Short Story Pre-Assessment**

**Plot Diagram – Fill in the Blank**

*1- 5 Use the following words to fill in the plot diagram:*

resolution      inciting incident       falling action       climax/turning point       rising action       exposition

**Plot – Matching**

*6 -11 Write the letter of the definition on the line provided that matches the terms listed on the left.*

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Resolution

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Inciting Incident

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Falling Action

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Climax/Turning Point

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Rising Action

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Exposition

a.  Something that happens to set the events of the story in motion.  Without this one moment, the story would not take place.

b.  When the reader is introduced to the basic elements of the story – characters, setting, conflict.

c.  A series of points in the plot that build the action of the story.

d. A point where the story changes focus.

e.  A series of points in the plot when loose ends get wrapped up.

f.  How the story ends.

**Types of Characters – Fill in the Blank**

*12 – 15 Use the following words to finish these sentences:*

antagonist       protagonist        static character       dynamic character

12.  The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is the main character of a story.

13.  The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is in conflict with the main character of the story.

14.  A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ stays the same throughout the entire story.

15.  A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ changes or developes with the events of the story.

**Name the Types of Conflict**

**Elements of A Story – Matching**

*21 – 27 Write the letter of the definition on the line provided that matches the terms listed on the left.*

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Plot

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Conflict

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Mood

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Tone

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Setting

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Symbolism

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Theme

a.  Feeling created by the reader.

b.  Feeling created by the author.

c.  Big idea and message the author is trying to convey.

d.  The action in a story; a series of related events that build and grow.

e.  Within a story (person vs. person, person vs. self, person vs. nature, person vs. society)

f.  The time and place in which the action occurs.

g.  The use of objects or ideas to represent something else.

**Point of View – Multiple Choice**

*28 – 30 Circle the correct answer for each question.*

28.  Identify the sentence in first person:

a. I could not help but wonder what was going to happen next.

b. Harry Potter wandered the castle looking for clues.

29.  Identify the sentence in third person:

a. Katniss Everdeen wasn’t sure she’d make it out of the arena alive.

b. We went about our day as usual.

30.  Identify the sentence in an omniscient point of view.

a. We had no idea where we were or what we would do.

b. Little did he know that there was danger lurking around the corner