**ELA Notes** Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Narrative Text** – A spoken or written story

**Short Story** – A complete story that is shorter than a novel

**Plot** – The events that make up a story

**Setting:** Where and when the story takes place

**Major Characters:** The main characters who the story is about (the story could not exist without them)

**Minor Characters:** Characters who are not as important as main characters (the story can exist without them)

**Point of View:** The perspective from which the story is told. There are three main points of view:

1. First Person: The story is told from the perspective of one of the characters (I, we, me)
2. Second Person: The narrator is not a character in the story and speaks to the reader (you, your)
3. Third Person Limited: The narrator is not a character in the story and tells what happens, what is said, and what is thought (she, he, they)

**Theme:** The lesson the reader learns by the end of the story

**Mood:** The feeling the reader feels when reading the story