

Focus: To review the elements of fiction

Agenda:

Warm-up

Analyzing Fiction (take notes/review)

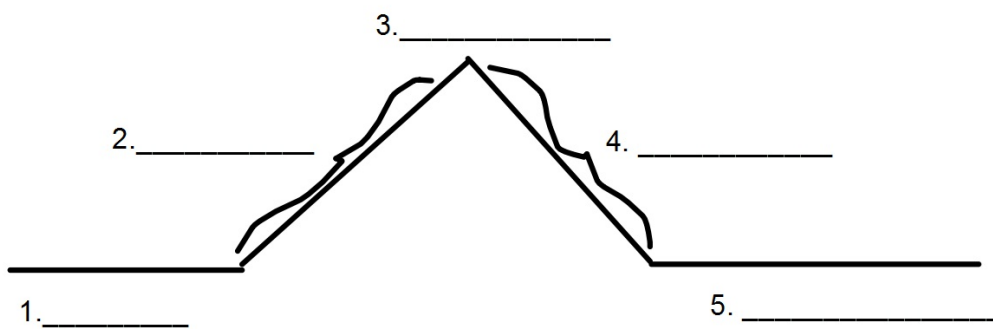
Review Scavenger Hunt worksheet

Homework: Describe General Zaroff in detail and with textual support!

Warm-up:

Get out a half-sheet of paper (tear one in half and share with a neighbor!)

Copy the plot diagram below and fill in the main plot elements as you remember them!



Analyzing Fiction

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their team will practice after school.

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Setting:

"moonless Carribean night"

"there was no sound in the night"

"I could sleep without closing my eyelids"

"palpable darkness" "moist black velvet"

off the coast of Shiptrap island

"god forsaken place"

"they were a bit strange...."

"this place has a reputation, a bad one..."

"The world is made up of two classes...."

"there was one small trait about the general that made R. uncomfortable..."

Rainsford:

"pure imaginary" Rainsford is a realist

he is tall - Zaroff is tall and he wore Zaroff's clothes

physically fit - "could do a hundred strokes swimming"

resourceful; skilled, clever, experienced "he caught a hold of a springy young sapling and to it he fastened a hunting knife

strong sense of moral compass - "it did not make me condone cold-blooded murder"

moral superiority

strong willed - "I will not lose my nerve" even though things might be hopeless

gullible/naive/oblivious - he does not understand the danger he is in....

Setting - shortly after WWII
island in the Caribbean
warm water - humid + hot
jungle rocky shores
late at night
"moist black velvet"

foreshadowing -

island is called "Shiptrap" foreshadows that many ships have trouble in that area.

"You have good eyes" (foreshadows R. as good hunter)

"The place has a bad reputation"

"A .22... odd" foreshadows a very LARGE animal being hunted

"everyone was a bit jump"

Rainsford -

He seems naive - he went into the mansion after a gun was pointed at him...he changes later in the story...

He has morals - he differentiates between hunting and murder..."Thank you I am a hunter not a murderer." He sees himself as having a moral code.

He is a quick thinker - "Rainsford remembered where the shots came from..." and swam in that direction. He also took off burdensome clothes...

He is an author - Zaroff says "I have read your book about hunting"

He is a renowned hunter; Zaroff "celebrated hunter" is welcomed into his home

He is clever - he sets traps; "not many men know how to make a Malay mancatcher..."

He is brave - he seems not very worried about the events - he knows he can handle things as they come at him; "he heard the hounds, then leaped out into the sea"

He is wealthy - he travels by yacht; he smokes pipes; author of many books/best sellers.

Setting — Ship trap island
The Caribbean

General Zerkoff's

"moist black velvet" House

Setting the mood for the story

foreshadowing

"the world is made up of two classes: the
hunters and the hunted"

"even cannibals wouldn't live in such a god-foresaken place..."

"this place has an evil name among seafarers....the air was actually poisonous"

Rainsford (Sanger):

Has good eyes - "I've seen you pick off a moose...."

Has good hearing - "his ears, expert in such matters....(heard gunshot)"

He has a lot of endurance; physically fit - "he swam with slow deliberate strokes for a seemingly endless time..."

He is wealthy and an author - "I've read your book about hunting snow leopards..." (yacht; he hunted in exotic locations)

He is knowledgeable; resourceful; cunning - "Not many men know how to make a Malay mancatcher..." (Zaroff to Rainsford); "Your Burmese tiger pit has claimed one of my best dogs..."; "He swam towards the gunshot sound"

He is a smoker - pipe as symbol of wealth "I'm going to smoke another pipe..."

mentally strong - "I will not lose my nerve"

He is an experienced hunter

Animals understand only fear; they have no other feelings