

## Close Reading Notes: My Observations and Questions about . . .

The **setting** and **mood** of text

- Where does the story occur?
- What emotions are shown throughout the story?

The **characters** of text

- Who is involved in the story?
- How are these characters described in the story?

The **conflict** or problems occurring in text

- Look for the initial incident that leads to the main conflict or issue in the story.

The **purpose** of the text

- What idea about human nature is the author communicating to the reader?

The **plot** of the text

- Consider events that tie the story together from start to finish.

Parts of the text I **do** understand

Parts of the text I **do not** understand