

Analyzing a Text

What should I annotate?

1. Title
2. Allusion (Bible, Shakespeare, etc...)
3. Context Clues- meaning and vocabulary
4. Inferences
5. Structure of a Text
 - a. manipulation of time
 - b. physical presentation of the words, phrases, paragraph
6. Central Idea
7. Author's Purpose
 - a. Previous purposes:
 - i. inform
 - ii. persuade
 - iii. entertain
 - b. Higher-Level Thinking: What does it tell us about:
 - i. human nature
 - ii. society
 - iii. gender relations
 - iv. problems
 - v. relationships
 - vi. love
 - vii. children
 - viii. THIS IS NOT A COMPLETE LIST. YOU MAY IDENTIFY OTHERS!!!
8. Symbolism- everything (almost everything) is a symbol
9. Plot
 - a. elements of the plot chart/pyramid
 - b. types of conflict(s)