



Literary Analysis Graphic Organizer (High School)

Use this graphic organizer to help analyze theme, character, and literary devices in a text. Great for planning essays and class discussions.

Title of Work:

Author:

1. Central Theme

What is a key message or idea in the text?

Blank: _____

Example: Loneliness and isolation are themes in *Of Mice and Men*.

2. Character Analysis

Character Name: _____

Traits: _____

Motivations: _____

Changes: _____

Importance: _____

Example:

Name: George

Traits: Protective, responsible

Motivations: Wants a better life

Changes: Hardened by events



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Importance: Reflects conflict between dreams and reality.

3. Literary Devices

Device: _____

Example from Text: _____

Effect on Reader: _____

Example:

Device: Foreshadowing

Example: Candy's dog is shot

Effect: Hints at Lennie's fate

4. Setting and Mood

Setting: _____

Mood: _____

Connection to Theme: _____

Example:

Setting: 1930s ranch

Mood: Harsh, lonely

Connection: Shows economic struggle

5. Author's Purpose and Message

Purpose: _____

Message: _____



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Example:

Purpose: Show limits of friendship

Message: Not all dreams come true