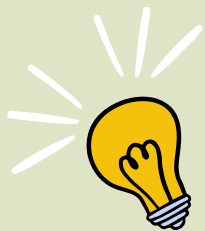


# Homework Tracker

## 4th Grade

### Week of: 12/1/25



Details

Due Date

Check

Monday  
12/1/25



Complete 25 Minutes of iReady

12/7/25

Tuesday  
12/2/25



Reread selection, *Rent Party Jazz*  
on HMH to prepare for quiz  
tomorrow.

12/2/25

Wednesday  
12/3/25



Complete 20 Minutes of iReady

12/7/25

IXL (MM.3) Identify Main and  
Helping Verbs

12/5/25

Thursday  
12/4/25



BrainPOP: Natural Resources

12/5/25

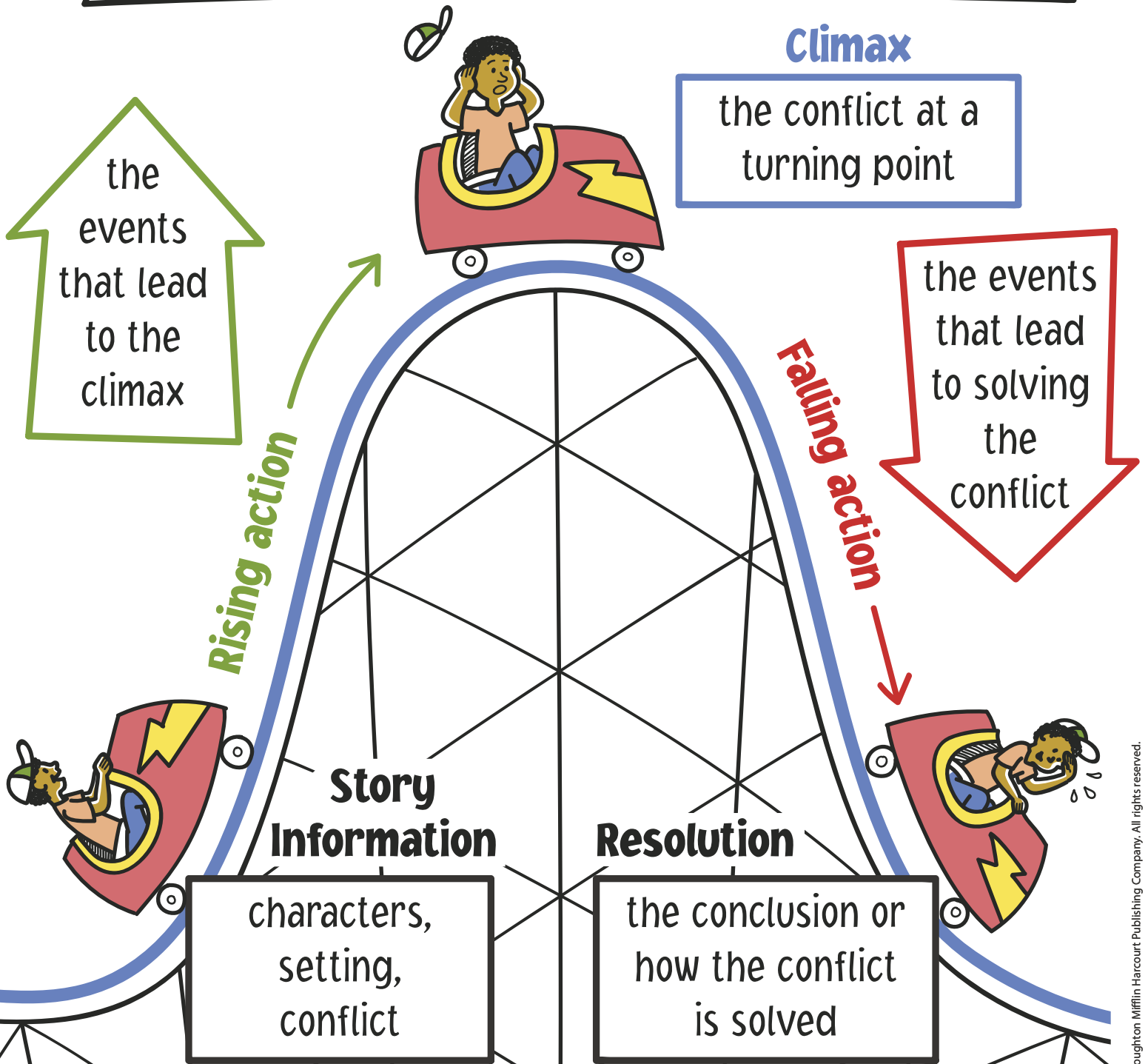
Friday  
12/5/25



No Homework

# Plot

The plot of a story is made up of its characters, setting, and events.



## Climax

the conflict at a turning point

the events that lead to the climax

*Rising action*

the events that lead to solving the conflict

*Falling action*

**Story Information**

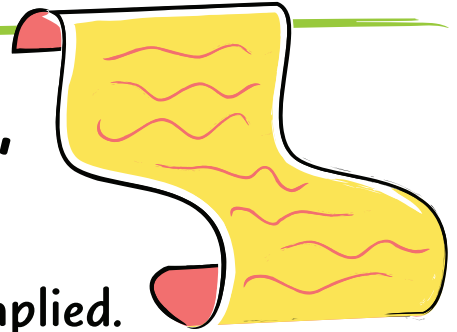
characters, setting, conflict

**Resolution**

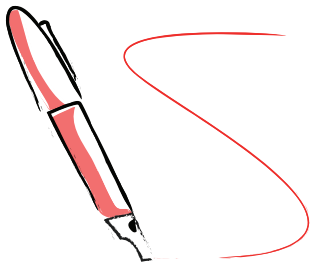
the conclusion or how the conflict is solved

# THEME

The **theme** is the main message, lesson, or moral of the text.



The theme can be stated in text. Fables and myths might tell the theme at the end.



The theme can be implied. Use text clues to figure it out.

- ♥ What happens to the characters?
- ♥ How do the characters react?
- ♥ What do the characters learn?
- ♥ How do the characters grow or change?

**ASK:** What is the author trying to teach me?



## EXAMPLES

More can be achieved by working together.

It is best to tell the truth.

Don't give up.

# AUTHOR'S CRAFT



**Author's Craft is the language and technique a writer uses to**

- **make his or her writing interesting.**
- **communicate ideas to the reader.**

Technique	What is it?	Example
<b>Voice</b>	the author's writing style that makes his or her writing unique	A writer uses certain words to show his or her style. An author's voice may change, depending on the genre of the text.
<b>Mood</b>	the emotions and feelings of the reader while reading a text	<b>mystery</b> = suspense or surprise <b>fantasy</b> = wonder or excitement <b>article</b> = serious or thoughtful
<b>Anecdote</b>	a short, funny, or interesting story related to a character or events	While on a school field trip, a teacher tells her students about a field trip she once took with her classmates.
<b>Language</b>	vocabulary, precise nouns, sensory words, and vivid verbs that make the text more interesting	Selma ate popcorn. ↓ Each <b>kernel</b> of the <b>buttery popcorn</b> <b>crunched loudly</b> in Selma's mouth.
<b>Hyperbole</b>	exaggerations that make things sound bigger, better, or more than what they truly are	That's a good idea. ↓ That's the best idea I have ever heard <b>in my life!</b>

# Synonyms and Antonyms

A **synonym** is a word that means the same or almost the same as another word. An **antonym** is a word that is opposite in meaning to another word.

Synonyms and antonyms can help you understand vocabulary words. Thinking about how words are the same and different can help you understand their meanings better.

## Examples:

- 1 The large box sat next to the big chair.
- 2 The stove is hot, but the refrigerator is cold.
- 3 The children sang loudly until I asked them to sing more quietly.
- 4 She came in quietly and spoke softly.

## Suffixes *-ful*, *-ous*, *-less*

A **suffix** is a word part added to the end of a base word that changes the meaning of the word. A suffix also changes a word's part of speech. For example, the suffix *-ful* changes the verb *care* to the adjective *careful*.

