

STRATEGIES FOR PLOT AND RESOLUTION

5TH GRADE

STRATEGY 1: VOCABULARY

Plot: The plot is what happens in a story – the events and actions. These events and actions lead up to something occurring that needs to be solved.

Conflict: A problem that occurs in a story between 2 or more people, between a person or persons and an outside force (such as a fire, tornado, earthquake, flood), or a conflict within the character him/herself (such as having to make a difficult decision between something that is right and something that is wrong).

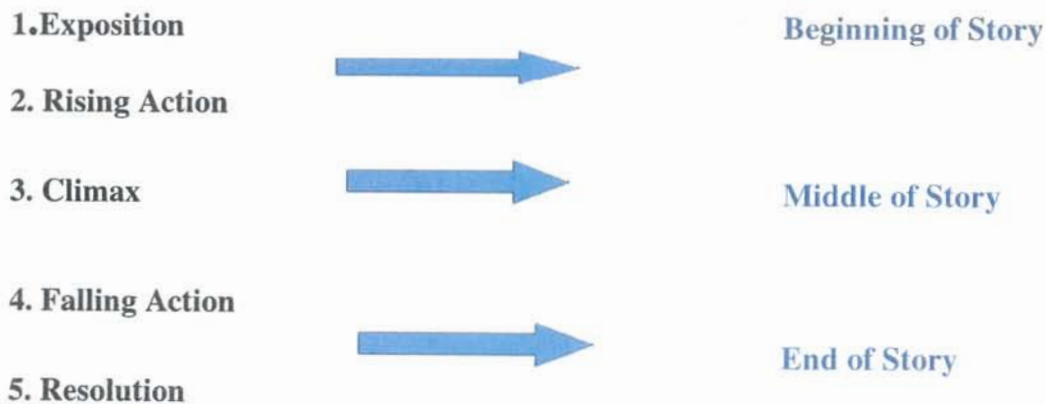
Climax: This is the point in the story where all the events and actions come together and something has to be done about the problem to resolve it.

Resolution: A decision is made and the problem, or conflict, is solved.

STRATEGY 2: STORY PLOT MAP

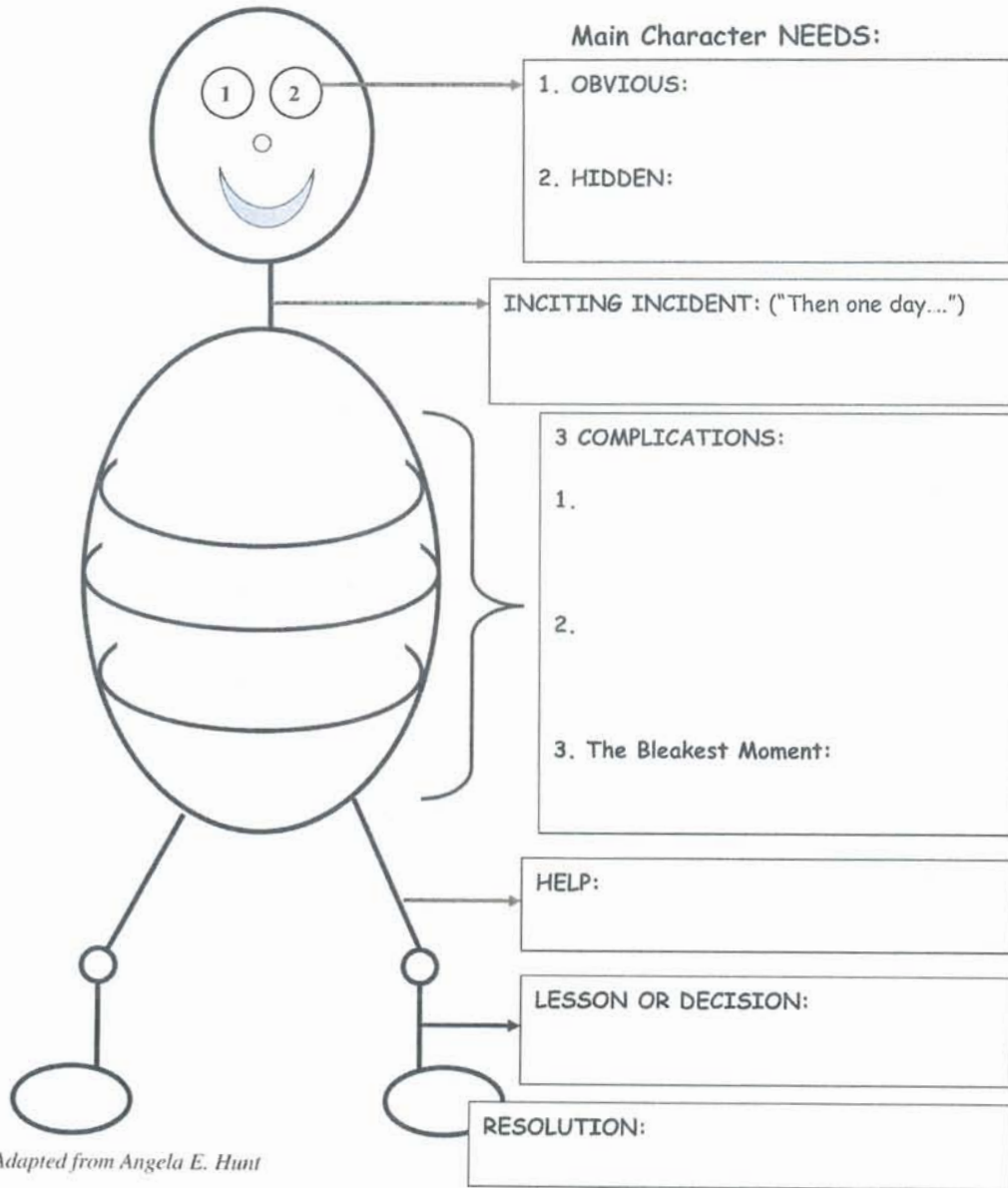
The story plot map illustrates the progression of events leading up to a resolution of a problem in a story.

Putting It All Together



Plot Skeleton

Name: _____



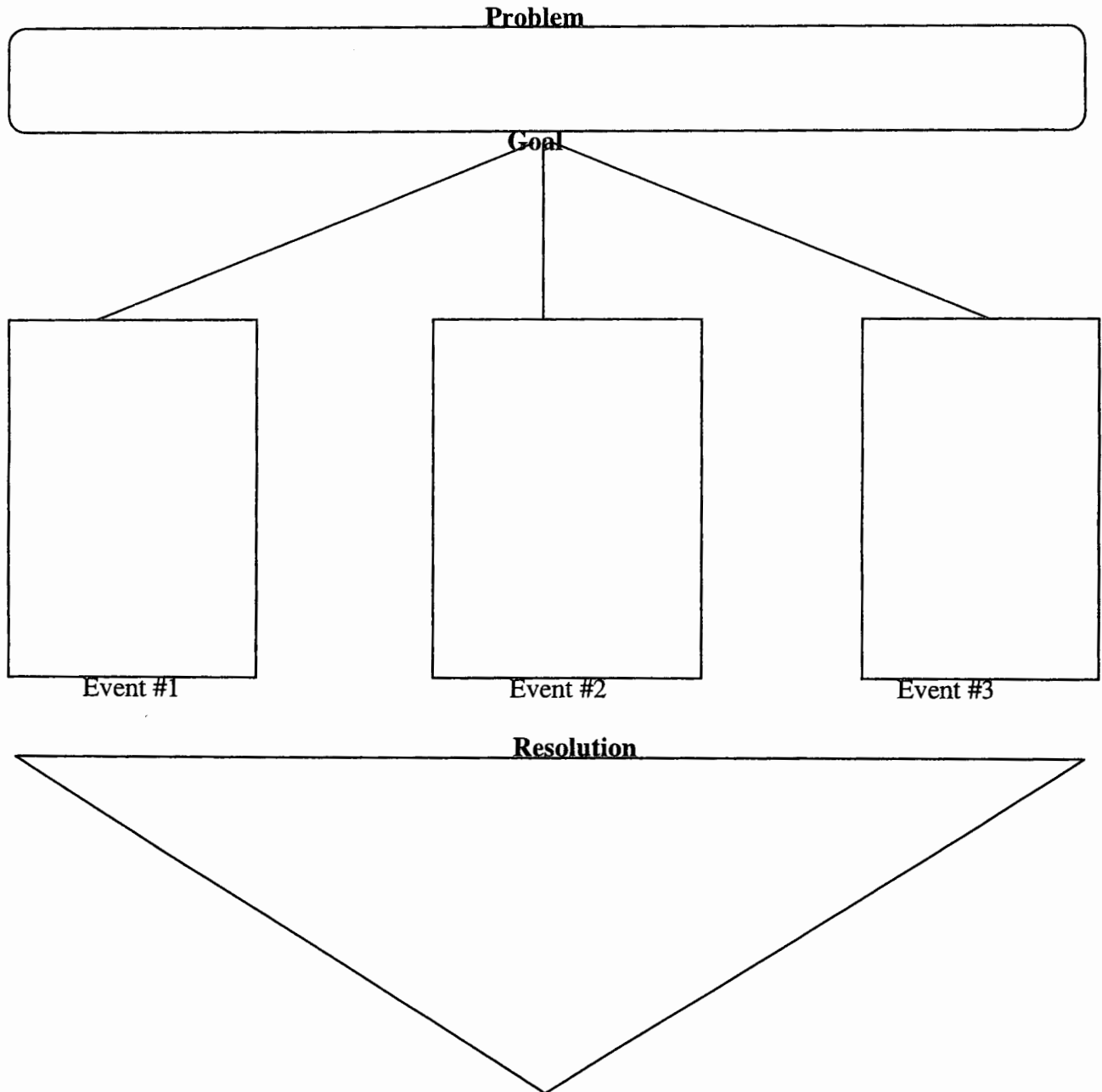
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Graphic Organizer: Problem and Solution Diagram

Character _____

Problem & Solution Diagram



STRATEGY 4

Name _____

SOLVING A PROBLEM

Talk to a partner about a problem. Pick a problem that you read about in a book, or choose one that happened to you. What caused the problem? What happened afterward? How can the problem be solved? Fill in the chart by writing your answers.

Cause	Problem	Effect	Solution



Name _____ Date _____

Conflict Resolution

1. Think of a time when you experienced a conflict with another person. Describe what happened.

2. State the conflict

3. What did you do to resolve the conflict. Brainstorm other possible resolutions to this conflict?
