

PLOT Literary 3x3! THEME

▶ made up of 3 lines, each a complete sentence composed of exactly 3 words each

▶ two formats to choose from for each sentence:

- Noun verb noun.
- Adjective noun verb. ^{OR}

▶ avoid proper nouns (Jane, Elsinore, Victor, the North Pole)

▶ use concrete nouns (scientist) in favor of abstract (science)

▶ use carefully-chosen, specific verbs and adjectives, not generic ones (sad, go, leaves)

▶ communicate the narrative in a meaningful way (chronologically usually works best) with no analysis or interpretation

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▶ use abstract nouns (honesty) in favor of concrete ones

▶ carefully choose words that capture some specific aspect of the work's meaning

▶ mimic the structure of the PLOT 3x3 so that the two complement each other and help clarify how the narrative mirrors the meaning

▶ avoid plot summary of any kind (that's the point of the PLOT 3x3); instead focus on meaning purely

