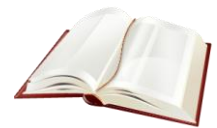




# Parent Pipeline



## **CAFÉ Strategy: Recognize Literary Elements 2**

Your child has already studied the literary elements of plot, character, setting, and theme. These elements assist with understanding and help a reader infer what will happen next. Now that they are familiar with these components of a story, they are ready to dive deeper and learn more. Your child is now learning about many other literary elements that add to a unified story. These elements include foreshadowing, flashback, point of view, irony, symbolism, and figurative language.

Literary elements work together to form the story and make it interesting. As your child learns more about these different elements, he/she will build on their current knowledge to gain better understanding of how to use these elements to comprehend text.

### **How can you help your child with this strategy at home?**

1. When reading a story with your child, ask your child to name an event that is foreshadowed earlier in the story. What clues were given?
2. To revisit point of view during a selection, ask your child, "Who is narrating the story?" or "What would this story look like from (character)'s point of view?" Have your child explain his/her thinking.
3. Authors use figurative language when describing things through comparison, exaggeration, or interesting word choice. When reading with your child, look for examples of figurative language in the story and talk about why the author chose those literary devices.
4. Flashbacks occur when a character remembers an event that took place previously. Although they do not occur in every text, keep your eye out to notice and discuss when flashbacks occur in a story.

**Thank you for your continued support at home!**

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