

LITERARY INTERPRETATION SCALE

Distinguish among critical strategies.
Distinguish tendencies within work.
Analyze critically work's relation to literary history; author's other works and philosophical context.

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Analyze critically: irony; cultural allusions; stylistic techniques; parody; narrative point of view; temporal structures; self-conscious techniques; themes and motifs.
Analyze critically work's relation to: historical, sociocultural, sociopolitical context.
Describe work's relation to literary history; author's other works; philosophical context.

superior

Understand function of: rhetorical figures; cultural symbols and allusions; stylistic techniques; narrative point of view; connotation, parody.
Describe work's relation to: sociocultural, sociopolitical, historical contexts.
Recognize self-conscious techniques other than irony. Describe irony.
Recognize work's relation to: literary history; philosophical context; author's other works.

advanced plus

Understand function of: temporal structure(s); figurative language; caricature, satire.
Describe themes and motifs.
Recognize: rhetorical figures; cultural symbols; cultural allusions; narrative point of view; stylistic techniques; parody.
Recognize work's relation to: sociocultural, sociopolitical, historical contexts.
Distinguish between connotation and denotation.

advanced

Recognize temporal structure(s).
Recognize figurative use of language. Recognize irony.
Recognize caricature, satire.
Recognize themes and motifs.

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Summarize plot.
Distinguish main plot from subplots.
Describe characters.
Distinguish types of poems.
Distinguish basics of prosody.

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Distinguish main events from lesser ones.
Distinguish major from minor characters.
Retell plot (retell story accurately).
Describe setting.

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Recognize events of intrigue (retell story w/errors, repeat, paraphrase, translate).
Distinguish characters and recognize their relationships.
Distinguish major genres: prose, drama, poetry.
Distinguish comedy from tragedy.

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