



Objective

The student will identify story elements.

Materials

- ▶ Story element header cards (Activity Master C.005.AM1)
Plot and theme header cards are available, but do not have to be used.
- ▶ Story element cards (Activity Master C.005.AM2a - C.005.AM2b)
If plot and theme header cards are used then add plot and theme cards (Activity Master C.005.AM3).

Activity

Students identify story elements by sorting them into appropriate categories.

1. Place header cards face up in a row at the center. Shuffle the story element cards and place face down in a stack.
2. Taking turns, students select the top card from the stack and read it aloud.
3. Identify what story element it is and place in column with matching header card.
4. Continue until all cards are sorted.
5. Peer evaluation

characters setting problem solution

three pigs three houses in the country

the third house was made of bricks

Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Decide which cards belong to same story and sort accordingly.
- ▶ Make story elements cards to sort using header cards.
- ▶ Add plot and theme headers and story element cards and sort (Activity Master C.005.AM1 and C.005.AM3).

Comprehension

Story Element Sort

C.005.AMI

characters

header

setting

header

problem

header

solution

header

theme

header

plot

header

header cards



Comprehension

C.005.AM2a

Story Element Sort

three pigs

three houses in
the country

wolf blows
down two
houses

the third
house was
made of
bricks

Charlotte
(spider), Wilbur
(pig) and other
farm animals

a barn on
a farm

Wilbur is in
danger of
being killed
for food

Charlotte uses
web to write
wonderful things
about Wilbur



Comprehension

Story Element Sort

C.005.AM2b

Snow White
and the
seven dwarfs

cottage in
the forest

Snow White eats
a poisoned
apple and
falls asleep

a prince
wakes up
Snow White

Lion
and
Mouse

jungle

Lion gets
caught in a
trap

Mouse
frees Lion from
trap by eating
the ropes



Comprehension

C.005.AM3

Story Element Sort

three pigs
outsmart
a wolf

a pig avoids
being killed with
the help of a
friend

evil stepmother
tries to get rid of
Snow White

Mouse
saves a lion

smart thinking
wins over
physical
bullying

friendship can
help to
overcome
challenges

love is
powerful

even the weak
and small
can be
of great help

