CONTENT IMPERATIVES:

RE-EXAMINE WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED

| <u>CONTENT</u> <u>IMPERATIVE</u> | <u>ICON</u> | <u>DEFINITION</u> | LIT. CIRCLE APPLICATION |
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| ORIGIN | 1 | THE BEGINNING, ROOT, OR SOURCE OF AN IDEA OR EVENT | How did this begin? What was the cause? What was the stimulus? Etymology Cause of conflict Comprehension/Thinking Skills: note ambiguity; identify missing information; test assumptions; prove with evidence |
| CONTRIBUTION | • | THE SIGNIFICANT PART OR RESULT OF AN IDEA OR EVENT | How long did this build/formulate? What things came together to cause this? What was the value? Effect of a character's actions, impact of setting, contributing factors of accelerating the conflict/rising action Effect of literary devices Comprehension/Thinking Skills: differentiate from relevant from irrelevant; judge with criteria; prioritize; prove with evidence |
| CONVERGENCE | > | THE COMING TOGETHER OR MEETING POINT OF EVENTS OR IDEAS | How did this all come together? How did things merge? What were the meeting points? Factors that create the climax Realization/Key Moment for the character Author's use of language to develop tone, imagery, style; genre Comprehension/Thinking Skills: drawing conclusions, predicting, inferring |
| PARALLEL | | Ideas or events that are similar and can be compared to one another | What is similar? What is comparable? What seems the same as? Synonyms Connections Comprehension/Thinking Skills: identify attributes; compare and contrast; judge with criteria; support/prove with evidence |
| PARADOX | | THE CONTRADICTORY ELEMENTS IN AN EVENT OR IDEA | What are the opposing ideas? What are the inconsistencies? What is the dilemma? Internal conflict Irony Comprehension/Thinking Skills: differentiate fact from fictions; determine relevant from irrelevant; judge with criteria; judge authenticity |

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