Literary Terms/Story Map Book Report

The purpose of this book report is to determine not only if you know the definitions of the literary terms, but also if you can identify examples of them in your own reading.

Directions:

1. At the top of your paper write the heading and the book's: title, author, copyright date, publisher, and the number of pages. The title of the book should be **italicized** if you are typing, or **underlined** if it is handwritten.

2. All answers should be numbered; if you are typing your book report, your answer should be double spaced, and in a 12 pt. standard font. If you are writing your book report, skip lines between each answer and write on only one side of the paper using a blue or black pen.

3. Every question should be answered in complete sentences and should have part of the question in it. **First,** define the literary term. Then, **you must use specific details and examples from the story** to support your example of the literary term. Each answer should be at least 5 sentences long. You might want to first draw a plot diagram or timeline to help as pre-writing.

For example: The literary term symbol means…(define symbol). In the short story "Treasure of Lemon Brown," the newspaper clippings and harmonica are symbols. These things are Lemon's "treasures" because they represent the love that Lemon and his son shared. The clippings were about Lemon's career in the Jazz music business, and Lemon's son had them with him when he died in Vietnam.

Literary Terms

1. **exposition** (discuss what happens before the inciting incident)
2. **setting**: make sure you say where and when (city, country, date)
3. **inciting incident** (explain how it introduces the conflict-the rest of the story couldn't happen if this event didn't occur)
4. **rising action (at least *three* main events)**
5. **climax**: make sure it is something that happens near the *end* of the book
6. **falling action/resolution**
7. **internal conflict**
8. **external conflict**
9. **characterization of protagonist**: explain the character's personality as well as appearance.
10. **theme** (what lesson about life or human nature could be gained? Think about how a character changed, the title, a decision that had to be made)
11. **significance of title**

Note:

* Make sure each answer has a definition for the literary term.

** You do not need to keep repeating the book's title.

***Make sure you support each term with *specific* story details.