

LITERARY ANALYSIS

WORKSHEET

Name: _____ Date: _____ Title of Work: _____

Author: _____ Genre: _____ (Poem, Short Story, Novel, Play, Nonfiction, etc.)

1 OVERVIEW

Write a brief summary of the work.

2 THEME

What is the central theme or message of the work?

How is this theme developed throughout the work?

3 CHARACTERS

Character	Description (Key Traits)	Role in the Story	How They Change (if applicable)

4 SETTING

Where and when does the story take place?

How does the setting influence the plot or characters?

5 PLOT

Exposition (beginning): _____

Rising Action: _____

Climax: _____

Falling Action: _____

Resolution (ending): _____

6 LITERARY ELEMENTS & DEVICES

Identify and explain at least two literary elements or devices used in the work.

Element/Device: _____

Example from the text: _____

Explanation of its effect or purpose: _____

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7 OVERALL ANALYSIS

What is the author's purpose in writing this work? What is your overall impression or opinion of the work?
