Sinners and Saints



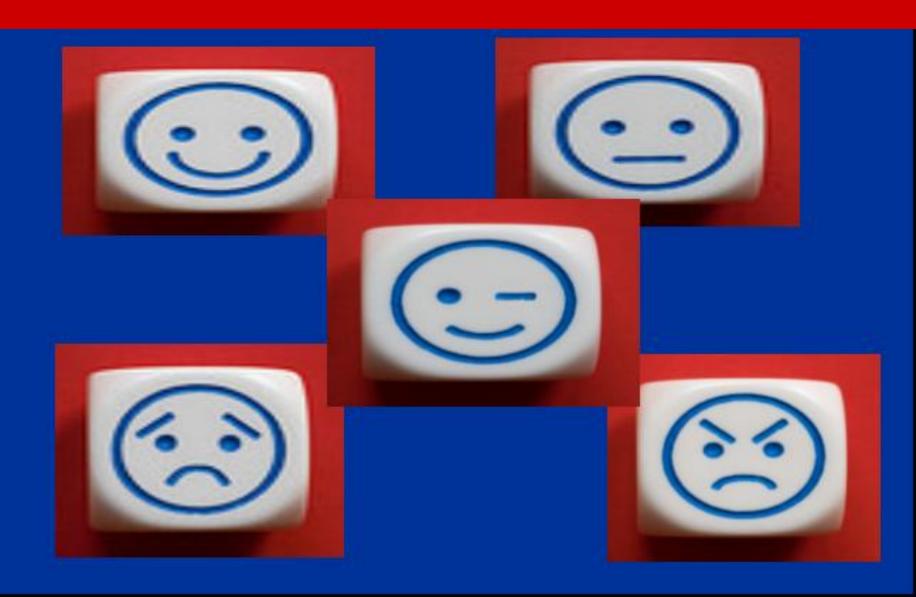
Preparation for the quiz



A Few Terms

and their applications in analysis

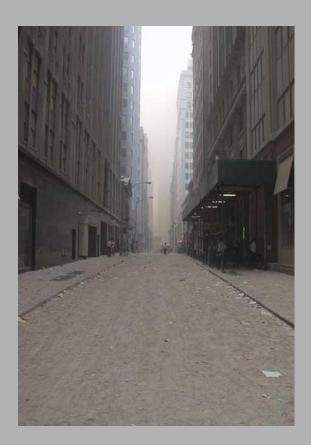
Tone: The author's attitude toward the subject



For example, if the author uses words like:



"hideous,"

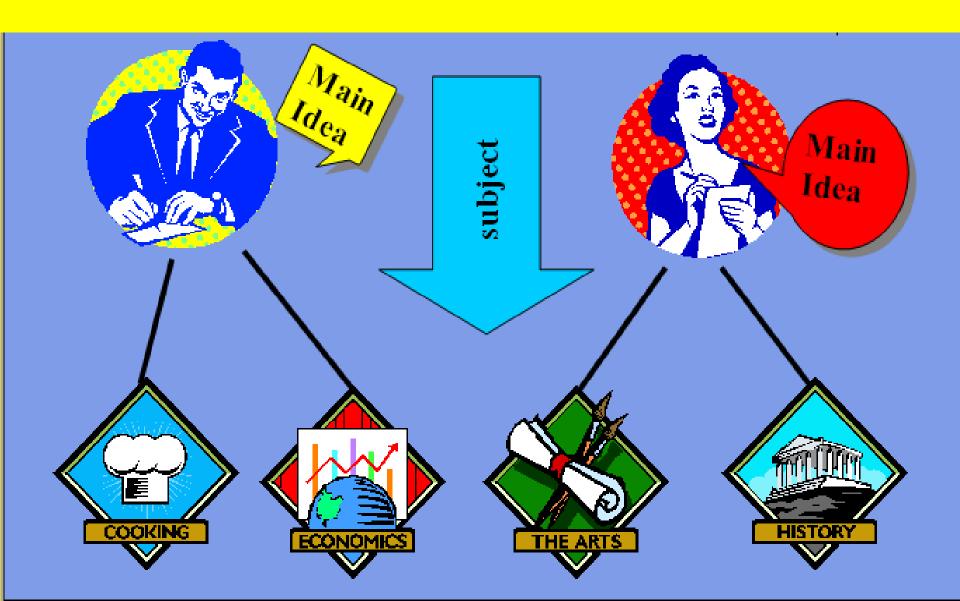


"desolate,"



and "wild" to indicate the fear he experienced, the tone is frightening.

Main Idea: What the author is saying about the subject in a work of non-fiction



Theme: the overall observation or message about life conveyed by an author through a piece of literature

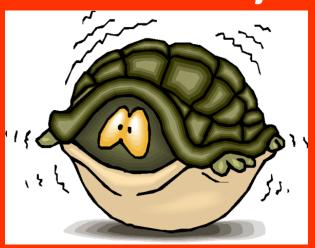


To analyze the theme of poetry, fiction, or drama readers must:

identify the tone of the piece,



determine the concrete and abstract subjects,



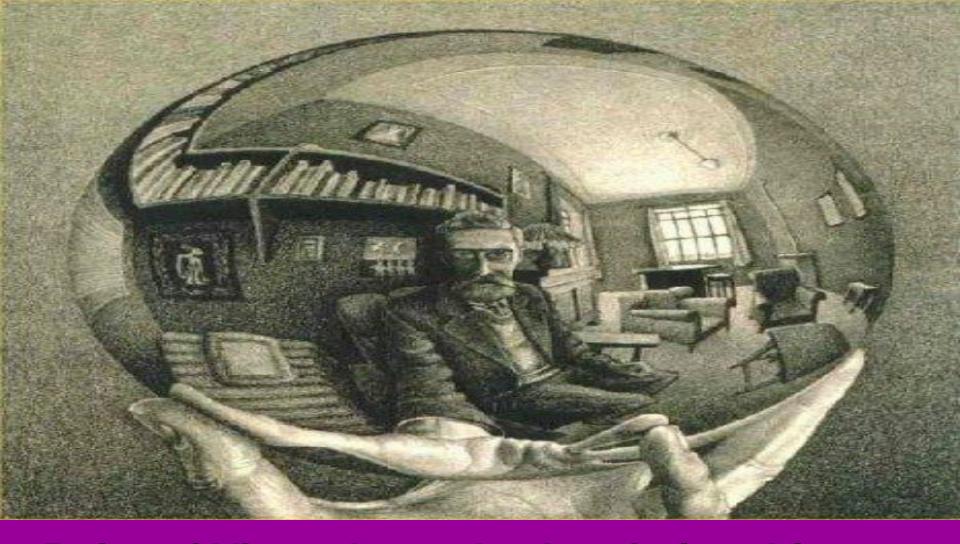
paraphrase the piece,

and ask what message or observation the author is making about the subject.

Audience: the people the author intended to reach through a piece of literature.

When determining the audience, readers must consider the topic and what group might be interested in the topic.





Point of View: the author's relationship to the audience and subject in a piece of writing

Perspective or point of view is best determined by identifying the case of the pronouns used in the passage.







For example, using the pronoun "they" without any other pronoun cases indicates that the author is entirely focused on the subject instead of the audience or himself, so the perspective is third person.



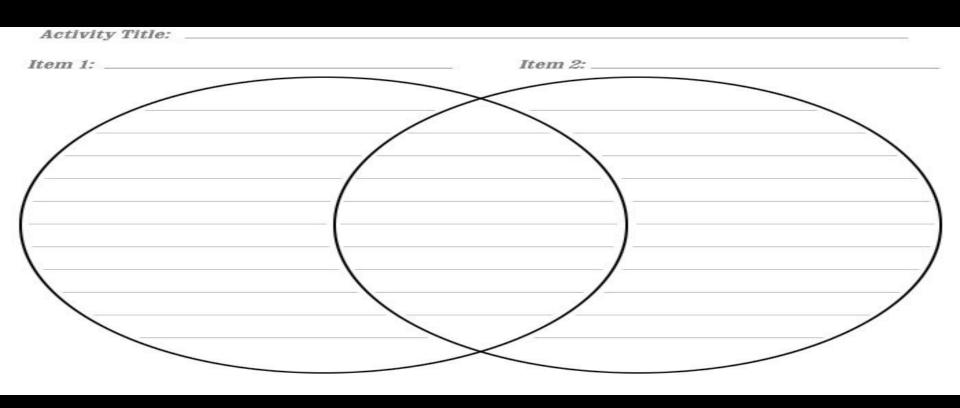




Graphic Organizers

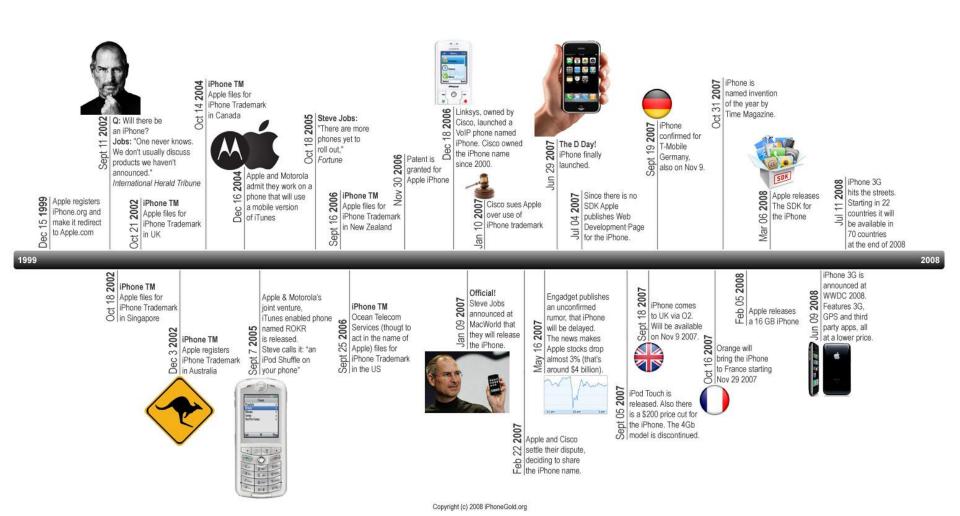


A Venn diagram shows the differences and similarities of subjects using intersecting circles.

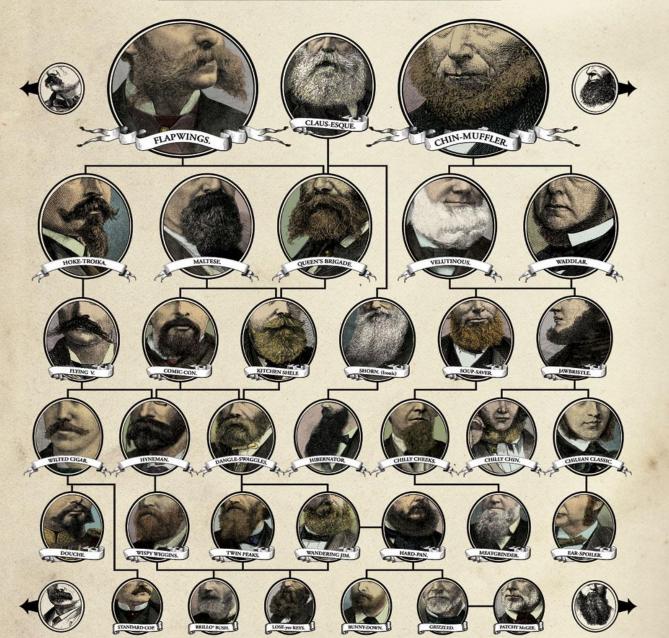


The Venn diagram is very popular for showing the similarities and differences between two or more subjects. If the text is comparing two subjects, this picture can really make the main idea clear.

The timeline is useful for deciphering a narrative. You take out each detail or event and line it up in order on the timeline.

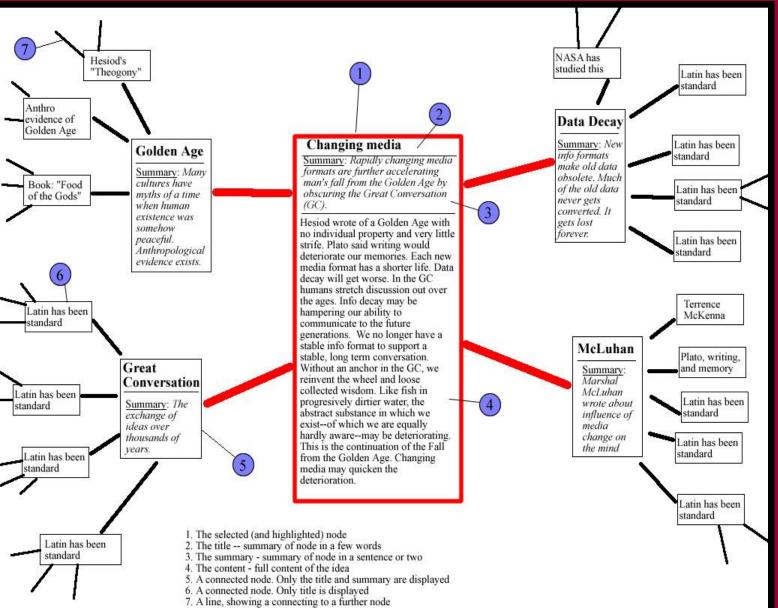


HIERARCHY OF BEARDS.



The illustration hierarchy can be useful for understanding passages that have examples categories, or lists of reasons, such as definition passages.

The idea web can be used for almost any type of text, but works especially well with descriptive writing.



It simply takes the subject and stretches it out like a tree until you see all the connections



A Word on Purpose...

 To analyze an author's purpose for writing, readers must decide if he/she wanted to express him/herself, entertain the audience, inform the audience, or persuade.



•For example, a text might include a story of a character persuading herself to do something, but the author's purpose is still clearly to express herself by relating her experience.