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| **Write the TITLE.**   * **Does it reveal anything? Can it be interpreted on a literal and figurative level?** * **Does the meaning of the title change as you read the story?** | **Examine the DETAILS of the story and the bearing of the character.**   * **What is the conflict?** * **How does the protagonist deal with the conflict?** |
| **Identify the TONE of the story.**   * **Analyze the author’s diction, details, imagery, and syntax.** * **Are there certain repetitions of words, phrases, actions, or events?** | **Analyze the RESOLUTION.**   * **How is the conflict resolved?** * **What is the author trying to say by ending the narrative this way?** * **How would the outcome change in an alternate ending? What might the comparison suggest?** |