

Discovery School English Summer Reading:

9th Grade: *Hidden Figures: Young Reader's Edition* by Margot Lee Shetterly

10th, 11th, and 12th Grade: *Gifted Hands* by Ben Carson, M.D. (not the Jr. Novel)

Elements of a Plot

Exposition	The part of the story when characters and setting are introduced.
Conflict	The struggle or problem
	*Character Verses Character
	*Character Verses Nature
	*Character Verses Society
	*Character Verses Themselves
3 Stages of Action	Rising Action- Events that increase tension and events that lead up to climax.
	Climax- The high point of the story. Usually at the climax, you can foreshadow the story's ending.
	Falling Action- Tension decreases and everything settles down.
Resolution	Conflict has been solved.

Instructions: Each question should be answered in paragraph format. Use details from the book and your own experiences to answer questions completely. Work must be typed in Times New Roman font, font size 14, 1.5 spacing (this is the standardized requirements for work turned in for High School). All work is due August 11, 2017 at the beginning of English class and is worth a test grade.

Questions:

1. Who are the main characters in this story?
2. Who are the antagonists in the story?
3. What is the main conflict in this story?
4. Describe the rising action in the story.
5. Describe the climax of the story.
6. Describe the falling action.