

Plot Expert Role Card

Levels 4-5

Book Title:

Student:

Date:

YOUR TASKS:

- Summarise the plot
- Find examples of plot elements

1 Complete the chart.

Background information (Exposition)	Where and when does the story take place?
Conflict	What are the opposing sides (people, groups) in the story?
Crisis	When do the opposing sides face a problem?
Climax	What is the most exciting or intense part of the story?
Conclusion/Resolution	How is the conflict solved at the end of the story?

2 Are there any examples of the following plot elements?

In medias res

Does the story start in the middle of action?

Do we get background information only later in the story?

Foreshadowing

Are there any references to the future in the story?

For example are we told that at the end of the story someone will die?

Flashback

Are there any references to the past in the story?

Suspense

Is there a sense of mystery in the story?

Is there a secret in a character's past?

Are there any clues about something bad happening in the future?

Delay

Is the ending of the story delayed by descriptions, sub-plots, false clues delaying an investigation?

3 Use your notes above to make a short summary of the story. Tell it to the others in the group.