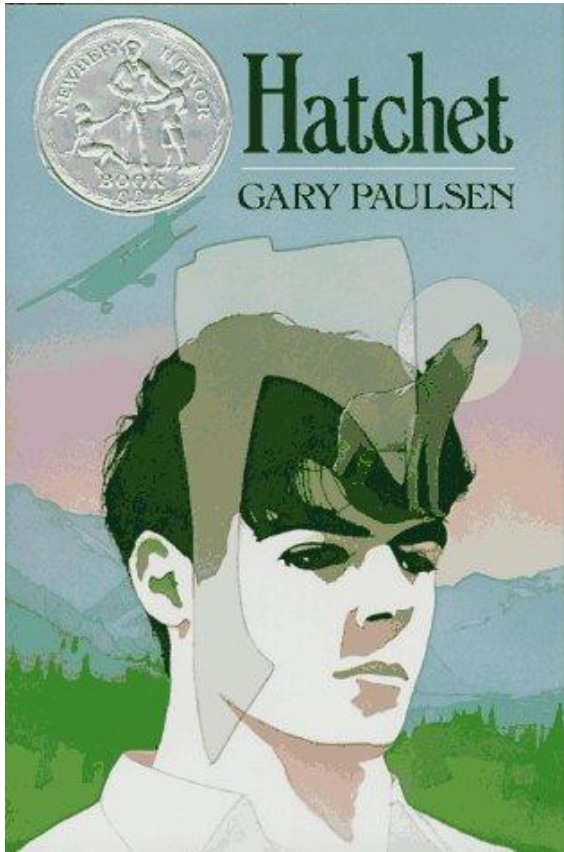


Chapter 4 Review

Novel, Novella, Short Story,
Folk Tale, Fable



Novels

Example: Hatchet

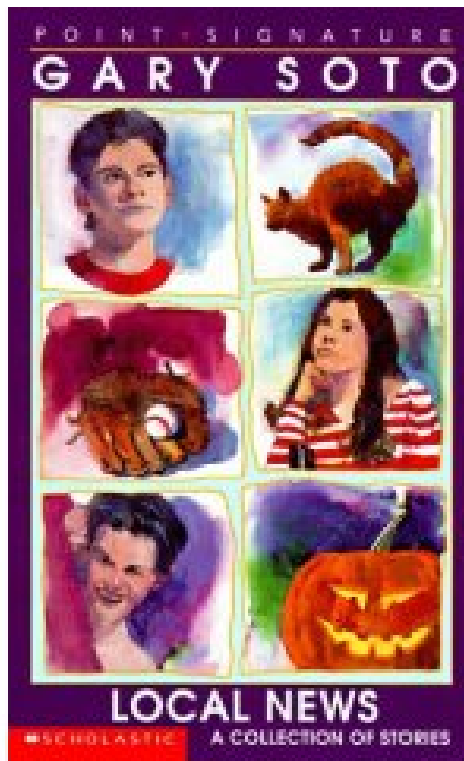
A novel has chapters and it normally takes much longer to read than other forms of fiction

Novellas



Example: *The Gold Cadillac*

A novella normally does not have chapters and it normally can be read in one sitting but it is longer than a short story.



Short Story

Example: *La Bamba*
or the various short stories in *Local News*
(a collection of short stories).

A short story is shorter than a novella and it normally can be read in one sitting. It is usually about 5-10 pages in length.

Myth



A myth, such as Medusa's Head, can vary in length, but tells an epic tale of how things got the way they are. It often involves gods and goddesses and heroes and heroines. Usually a myth usually explains why certain events happen, people's relationships with the gods, and why there is suffering

Folk Tale



Example: *He Lion, Bruh Bear and Bruh Rabbit*

Stories that were told by word of mouth before being written down. They come from various cultures. They often have Trickster characters, who are able to outsmart the anti-heroes in the story.

Fable

Example: *Fox and the Crow*

Very short stories that were told by word of mouth before being written down. They come from various cultures. They often have Trickster characters, who are able to outsmart the anti-heroes in the story. It normally has a very clear moral of the story.



1. A novella, such as *The Gold Cadillac*, can best be described as a story that —

Circle Answer

comes before the main story in the novel
has won many awards and has been widely read
is shorter than a novel but longer than a short story

2. A short story, such as *La Bamba*, has all of the following characteristics except—

Circle Answer

characters
conflict
setting
chapters

3. A folk tale, such as "The Lion, Bruh Bear and Bruh Rabbit" can be defined as —

a story that is part of the oral tradition of the common people

a story that is both entertaining and meaningful

a story that is shared by generation after generation

all of these

4. A myth, such as Medusa's Head, is a story that usually explains all of the following except—

why certain events happen

people's relationships with the gods

why there is suffering

why people need to sleep

5. One difference between a myth and a folk tale is —

- a- some characters in myths are superhuman (MYTHIC HEROES); characters in folk tales are usually ordinary people or animals
- b- one teaches an important lesson about life and the other doesn't
- c- myths were passed down by word of mouth, and folk tales weren't

6. All of the following works of fiction can usually be read in one sitting except—

- d- novel, such as "Hatchet"
- e- short story, such as "La Bamba"
- f- the fables, such as "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe"
- g- the novella, such as "The Gold Cadillac"

7. The sequence of events in a work of fiction, including the conflict, complications, climax and resolution, is known as the —

plan of action

plot

chapter

8. Fictional stories usually contain a lesson or message about life. That message is known as the —

subject

plot

theme

climax

9. Which feature is typical of almost all fictional works —

an adventure

a conflict

a mythic hero

10. Which two works are the most alike, and both usually were originally told by word of mouth over generations and have obvious lessons?

Myth and novella

Folk tale and fable

Myth and novel

