

## 3rd Grade CCSS Language Arts Vocabulary Study Sheet 1

1. characters     People, animals, or creatures in a story or drama.
2. plot           The sequence of events that make up a story.
3. conflict       A struggle between two opposing forces.
4. exposition     The background information of the characters and setting explained at the beginning of the story.
5. rising action   A related series of incidents in a literary plot that build toward the point of greatest interest.
6. climax          The decisive moment or turning point when the rising action of the play is reversed to falling action.
7. falling action   The elements of plot after a story's climax and before the resolution.
8. resolution      When the conflict is resolved at the end of the story.
9. theme           The message or underlying meaning a writer reveals in a novel, short story, or other literary work.
10. point of view   The vantage point from which a story is presented.
11. tone            The mood implied by an author's word choices.
12. anecdote       A little story or small piece of information.