8th Grade Academic Vocabulary Study Sheet 4

1. sequence The order in which events happen.

2. setting The time and place of a story.

3. significance The quality of being worthy of attention.

4. simile A figure of speech comparing two unlike things using "like" or "as."

5. source A place, person, or thing from which something comes.

6. strategy A plan of action designed to achieve a long-term goal.

7. structure The arrangement of and relations between the parts of something complex.

8. style The way in which something is written, expressed, or performed.

9. summarize To give a brief statement of the main points.

10. support To bear all or part of the weight; to hold up.

11. symbolism The use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities.

12. synthesize To combine a number of things into a coherent whole.

13. theme The central topic or idea explored in a text.

14. thesis A statement or theory put forward to be maintained or proved.

15. tone The general attitude of a piece of writing.

16. topic The subject of a text, conversation, or discussion.

17. transition A change from one state or condition to another.

18. variable An element, feature, or factor that is liable to vary or change.

19. verify To make sure or demonstrate that something is true.

20. viewpoint Another term for perspective or opinion.