

Author's Craft Showcase Review

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Understanding Literary Techniques

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Answer the following questions based on the lesson about the author's craft.

1. What is one literary technique authors use to create mood?

- A. Dialogue
- B. Descriptive language
- C. Character names

2. The phrase 'showing versus telling' refers to how authors can either ___ or ___ emotions in their writing.

3. What surprised you about the author's writing techniques? Provide one example.

4. Understanding an author's craft can help you become a better reader.

- True False

5. How does narrative perspective affect a story?

- A. It changes the plot
- B. It influences how we understand characters
- C. It determines the setting

6. Proverbs 15:23 teaches us about the value of ___ communication, similar to how authors choose their words carefully.

7. Why is it important for authors to build tension in a story? Explain in a few sentences.

8. Descriptive language is not important in storytelling.

- True False

9. Which of the following is a technique authors use to help readers understand characters' feelings?

- A. Action sequences
- B. Character dialogue
- C. Setting description

10. What are some ways authors build tension in their stories? List at least two techniques.

Answer Key

1. descriptive language 2. demonstrate, state 3. I was surprised by how descriptive language made the scenes more vivid. For example, the author described the sunset as 'a canvas of orange and pink,' which helped me visualize it better. 4. True 5. It influences how we understand characters 6. intentional 7. Building tension keeps readers engaged and eager to find out what happens next. It creates excitement and suspense, making the story more interesting and compelling. 8. False 9. Character dialogue 10. Authors can build tension by using cliffhangers at the end of chapters and by creating conflict between characters. They might also use pacing to make events feel more urgent.