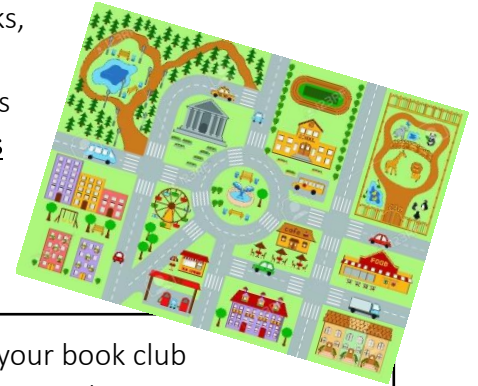


Fantasy Book Club Project: Setting & Characterization

All characters go on journeys over the course of a novel. In fantasy books, often times the setting contributes greatly to the plot and the main character's development. You will be working with your book club groups to explore this idea by creating a project using the skills of setting analysis and character development, which we have practiced throughout the unit.



Group Task: You will create a map for different settings that take place in your book club book. You will also be analyzing and explaining how the main character changed/developed at each of the settings you have identified. Be sure to include in your map:

1. 5 clear settings with accompanying character development explanations. **The settings must span the entire book.**
2. A neat and clear visual for each unique setting that you have chosen.
3. An accurate representation for each unique setting described in the book (go back to the text for details).
4. A clear response as to how each setting (5) contributed to one example of the character's development. Each response must specifically **describe** the **setting**, specifically describe **how and why** the main character **developed** at this setting, and include at least one direct quotation from the text (SEE MODEL).

Individual Task: In a 2 paragraph response you will argue which of the settings from the map your group created caused the most significant character development to the protagonist in your book club book. Please refer to the model and rubric as a guide. In your response be sure to:

1. Clearly state the setting and the character development that took place. Be clear as to how the character changed due to implications of the setting.
2. Argue your point! Give clear reasons as to why this was the **most important** stage of development for the character! Be sure to have clear support from the text to support your argument.
3. Paragraph 1 should introduce the setting you have chosen
4. Paragraph 2 should give your reasons as to why you picked it
5. Make sure you proofread and correctly use evidence to support your answer.

MODEL INDIVIDUAL TASK:

In the novel *The Outsiders*, the setting that has the most significant impact of Ponyboy's character development is when Ponyboy is forced to run away to Jay's Mountain in Windrixville after Bob's murder. Windrixville is a town located out in the country away from Ponyboy's regular life. The people in Windrixville do not look or act like Ponyboy or any of the Greasers. Although Ponyboy encounters many different settings as he grows and changes, living in Windrixville causes Ponyboy to develop the most.

When Ponyboy and Johnny live in the church in Windrixville, Ponyboy develops greatly as a character. One example of this is that he becomes more independent. Ponyboy starts to see that he and all of the Greasers have independent identities apart from the group. He says to Johnny, "you aren't like any of the gang. I mean, I couldn't tell Two-bit or Steve or Darry about the sunrise and clouds and stuff" (Hinton 78). This shows Ponyboy's development into an independent person. Part of this development is that he realizes he is unique, and can make his own decisions. This can also be seen in Windrixville when he decides to run into the burning church to save the children stuck inside. Ponyboy writes, "I jerked loose and ran on. All I could think was: We started it. We started it!" (Hinton 90). This shows Ponyboy is making his own independent decisions. Lastly, Ponyboy develops into a more compassionate person. He starts to miss his brothers and is excited to finally see them after being away. Ponyboy says, "the next thing I knew, I had him [Darry] around the waist and was squeezing the daylights out of him" (Hinton 98). Being in Windrixville and away from his usual setting at home taught Ponyboy the value of his family and brothers. These examples show that living in Windrixville truly changed and developed Ponyboy's character in many ways.

NAME: _____ PERIOD: _____

BOOK CLUB BOOK: _____

PROJECT RUBRIC

Meeting and Exceeding Standards:

You must exceed standards in each category in order to receive full point value

<p>Setting Map/Visuals</p> <p>SCORE: _____/30 points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ All 5 settings included on map○ Map is clear, neat, and easy to read <p>ES= MS+ Visual displays extraordinary creativity and thoughtfulness in design</p>
<p>Character Development Responses</p> <p>SCORE: _____/50 points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ All 5 settings have accompanying character development response○ Each response is a clear analysis of the character's development at particular setting○ Each response includes at least 1 direct quotation from the text to support character development <p>ES= MS+ including paragraph responses in visual</p>
<p>Individual Task</p> <p>SCORE: _____/30 points</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Paragraphs are written using the correct structure (including the use of transition words between ideas/examples)○ Paragraph clearly states and focuses on 1 setting for further analysis○ Paragraph has clear examples from the text to support setting choice○ Both paragraphs show revision and proper punctuation/capitalization <p>ES= MS+ using 2 or more direct quotations from the text properly in response.</p>
<p>Total= _____/100</p>	<p>ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:</p>