

Theme (*central idea or message the playwright is trying to convey*)

Why do you think the playwright wrote this play?

What is the playwright trying to say?

What does the playwright want the audience to think?

Character (*answer the following for each of the major characters in your play*)

What is the character's name?

What does the character look like?

How does the character behave?

How do other characters in the play react to this character?

Conflict

What is the central conflict in the play?

Why does this conflict occur?

What are some of the ways the characters in the play try to resolve the conflict?

How is the conflict resolved?

What happens after the conflict is resolved?

How do the conflict and the resolution affect each major character?

Setting

Where does the play take place?

When does the play take place? (afternoon, winter, date, etc)

Write a detailed description of the setting (weather, noise, temperature, etc)

What color is your play? Why do you say that? (Give specific examples from the play.)

*For example: 'Happy Daze' had 2 major colors- Act 1 was gray because all of JT's memories were dark and depressing and nothing good ever happened to him. It was like his whole life took place in a rain cloud. Act 2 was yellow because it was like the sun had suddenly come out to warm and color everything. Things started to go his way, he was popular and everyone was happy.*

Plot

Make a rising action chart graphing the major plot points.

