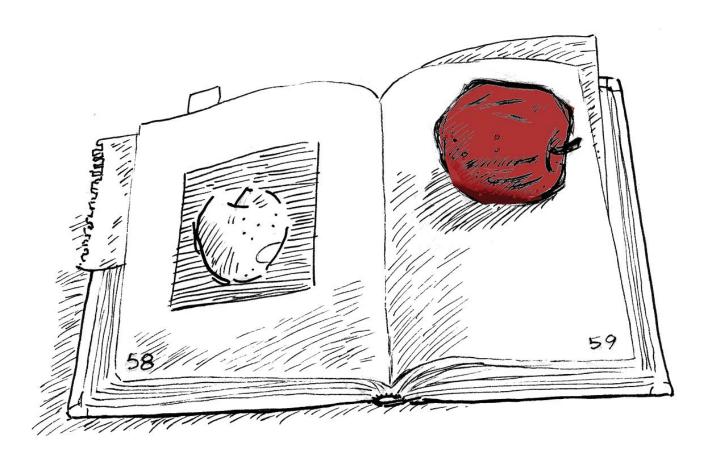
Terminology



Literary Devices & Terminologies

- plot: main course of action
- **setting:** the landscape of the story
- conflict: clash of opposing views, needs, actions
- protagonist: main character; focal point of action
- antagonist: a person the protagonist struggles against, or competes with;
 an adversary
- **climax:** the ultimate scene of action; the decisive moment in a novel or play, results in the conclusion/resolution
- **subplots:** minor secondary story lines behind the scene of main action

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- points of view: (voice/narration) thoughts and feelings which motivate story
- irony: an event deliberately contrary to what the reader expects
- **foreshadowing:** hints of a future development through elements of the story
- motifs: reoccurring symbols which appear throughout the story
- paradox: conflicting/contradictory statement
- exposition: establishment of setting, prepares the fictional world for reader
- in medias res: latin: "in the middle of." Many short stories use this technique.