

## READING WORKSHOP

# Global Narrative Questions

These may be used as a discussion or written response. In all responses, students should be encouraged to use direct examples from the story to support their answers. Be selective, use a limited number, even one question at a time.

### PLOT

1. What is the main problem in the story?
2. What is the turning point in the story?
3. How does the story end? How would you have changed the ending?
4. What surprised you about the story?

### THEME

1. What is the main idea of the story?
2. What lesson can be learned from the story? Why is it an important one?

### SETTING

1. Describe where the story takes place.
2. How would this story be different if it took place somewhere else?
3. What kinds of feeling do you get from reading this story? How does where the story takes place affect the story?

### CHARACTERIZATION

1. Choose one character and describe how he or she has changed from the beginning to the end of the story.
2. Compare and contrast two main characters.
3. Which character is most like you? Explain your answer.
4. Which character is your most/least favorite character in the book? Why?
5. There is a list of character traits below. Select one character from your story then choose three words that best describe that character. Explain why the words you chose best describe the character. Don't forget to use words from the story to support your answer.

### CHARACTER TRAITS

clever	concerned	happy	worried	loving
Angry	demanding	agile	indulgent	polite
sickly	helpful	silly	spoiled	thoughtful