

The Chaser

Short Story Lesson

PDF & Digital Formats



2 Peas and a Dog

Middle School Teaching Resources

RESOURCE INCLUDES

- Detailed Lesson Plan
- Comprehension Questions
- Graphic Organizers
- Answer Keys
- Assessment Criteria
- Final Assessment
- Google Slides Format
- Individual PDFs of student pages to post to Google Classroom™

EXAMPLE PAGES

LESSON PLAN



Lesson Overview: The teacher will read a short story out loud to the class, provide time for the comprehension questions and completion of the graphic organizers.

Materials Needed:

- Double-sided photocopy, or use the digital version of the provided short story analysis sheets, comprehension questions, Extend Your Learning choice board, and select 1 assessment sheet (rubric or points-based)
- Class set of "The Chaser" by John Collier short story (Find this through a Google search for the short story name and PDF)

Due to copyright laws, I cannot provide a copy of this short story.

Teacher Instructions:

1. Read the short story out loud.
2. Provide students time to complete the comprehension questions.
3. Collect the questions for assessment.
4. Provide students time to complete the graphic organizers.
5. Collect for assessment.
6. Give students time to work on their Extend Your Learning activity.
7. Collect for assessment on the due date.

Answer Key Note:

A sample answer key has been provided for the short story. All items are subject to interpretation of the reader.

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LITERARY ELEMENTS

Plot

Plot is the major events that take place during the story.

Inciting incident is the event that starts the story.

Climax is the highest point of conflict in the story.

Resolution is the ending of the story, where the conflict is usually resolved.

Text Example

Inciting Incident:

Climax:

Resolution:

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"THE CHASER" ANSWER KEY

Plot	Inciting Incident Alan arrives at the old man's house seeking a love potion.
	Climax The old man explains all of the "wonderful" things that will occur as a result of the love potion.
	Resolution On his way out, Alan is reminded of the "glove cleaner" potion for \$5,000.
Character	<p>Description</p> <p>Alan Austen (Protagonist/Major/Static) is a man who is desperate to win the love of Diana.</p> <p>The Old Man (Antagonist/Major/Static) is a person who sells potions. He sells love potions and "glove-cleaner" potions once people are tired of the effects from the love potion.</p>

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Resolution

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Character

Description

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