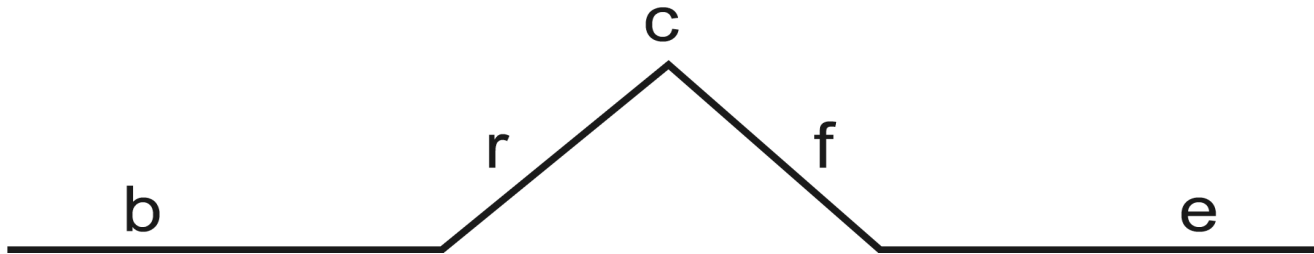# Trace the Plot, Analyze Character Development

Common Core Anchor Reading Standards:
3. Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
5. Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger parts of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or a stanza) relate to each other and the whole.



**b** beginning/exposition     **r** rising action     **c** climax     **f** falling action     **e** end/resolution

*What happens?  In just a few words tell what the plot is.*

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*Choose a major character from the story:* _____

*Show the character's change.  Show how the character feels at different times.*

| *Beginning of the Story* | *Climax* | *End of the Story* |
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What do you think the writer wants you to understand because of that change?

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