

# Author's Craft

THERE'S A SAYING IN CIMERA:

**"READ LIKE A WRITER!"**

WHEN WE STUDY AUTHOR'S CRAFT,  
WE UNCOVER HOW AUTHORS MAKE  
THEIR STORIES *COME TO LIFE!*

SETTING  
+  
MOOD

TONE

FIGURATIVE  
LANGUAGE

SYMBOLISM  
+  
THEME





# ARGUMENT

TO BE A GREAT LEADER,  
YOU NEED TO BE ABLE TO

**PERSUADE**

YOUR AUDIENCE OF WHAT  
TO BELIEVE OR DO.

CAUSAL  
REASONING

CLAIMS  
+  
EVIDENCE  
+  
REASONS

COUNTERCLAIMS  
+  
REBUTTALS

LOGICAL  
+  
EMOTIONAL  
ARGUMENTS

YOU ALSO NEED TO

**EVALUATE**

THE STRENGTH AND  
QUALITY OF OTHERS'  
ARGUMENTS, TOO!



# CHARACTERIZATION

CHARACTERS ARE KIND OF LIKE ONIONS. YOU GOT TO PEEL BACK THE LAYERS, IF YOU WANT TO KNOW **WHAT MAKES 'EM TICK.**

TRAITS  
+  
MOTIVATION

PERSPECTIVE

CHARACTER  
CONFLICT

CHARACTER  
RESOLUTION  
+  
CHANGE

THROUGH CHARACTERIZATION WE LEARN HOW **CONFLICT** CREATES THE CHARACTER ARCS THAT DRIVE THE **PLOT** AND **THEME** OF A STORY!

# TEXT STRUCTURE



DESCRIPTION + SEQUENCE

COMPARE + CONTRAST

PROBLEM + SOLUTION

CAUSE + EFFECT

ARGUMENTS

BUREAU AGENTS  
USE IT  
ALL THE TIME  
WITH COMPLEX  
INFORMATIONAL  
TEXTS TO  
UNCOVER WHAT  
**MESSAGES**  
AN AUTHOR MIGHT  
HOPE TO SHARE.



GRAN FOLIE

ZEPHREYA

CIMERA

VISTA

DWORP



# VISTA

A cartoon illustration of a grey stone castle with red-roofed towers and a spiral staircase, perched on a green grassy cliff. A large, brown, jagged rock formation is in the foreground. A yellow sign with a black border is attached to the rock, featuring the text 'WINDY CORNERS' in black, bold, sans-serif capital letters. The background is a solid light blue sky.

RAVENOUS ROCK REEF

THE FORGE OF THE SUN

RAVENOUS ROCK REEF

EPISODE 3

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## EPISODE 12

# Amplify Reading

EPISODE 13

The JACK POT Club

KING MOUNTAIN MINES


EPISODE 16

FORTRESS MAGNIFICA

EPISODE 15

WEDGE HILL GRAVEYARD

THE JACKDOT CAFE



SCADWIN'S HOUSE

ORBWEAVER ACRES

# EPISODE 6

CIMERA

EPISODE 8

# THE GIANT OF CIMERA

## EPISODE 7

CARIBOU FAIRE

EPISODE 5