

Academic Vocabulary

A. Academic Vocabulary is the language you use to talk about literature. Listen as your teacher reads each word and discusses its meaning and the example sentence.

Academic Vocabulary	Definition	Example Sentence
1. affect	influence; a feeling or emotion displayed in facial expression	The weather did not affect our decision to cancel the trip.
2. challenge	call for a contest or fight; dare; objection to something or someone; something that tests a person's skills, efforts, or resources	Walking through the those woods is a challenge even for the most experienced hiker.
3. consent	agree to someone's proposal; approval or acceptance of someone's plan	Drew has the teacher's consent to leave class early.
4. final	last; ultimate; the last in a series of context or exams	The basketball player scored the winning points in the final seconds of the game
5. respond	reply or react	When Mr. O'Malley did not respond to my telephone call, I wrote him a letter.

B. Complete each sentence with an Academic Vocabulary word.

- The main character of a story often faces a _____
- How the plot of a story develops often depends on how a character or characters _____ to conflict.
- A character's traits and motivation can _____ the outcome of a story.
- Sometimes the conflict of a story is not resolved until the _____ paragraph.

C. Write the Academic Vocabulary words in your Reader/Writer Notebook. Practice using these words as you talk and write about the selections in this unit.