

Creative Writing Essentials

Creative Writing · Answer Key · 8 Questions

1. In narrative structure, what is the term for the 'untying' of the knots of the plot, typically following the climax?

- A) Denouement**
- B) Peripeteia
- C) Anagnorisis
- D) Synecdoche

2. Which literary device involves the repetition of vowel sounds within closely positioned words to create internal rhyme?

- A) Assonance**
- B) Consonance
- C) Sibilance
- D) Caesura

3. In a work of fiction, what is the term for an 'unreliable narrator' who unknowingly provides a distorted version of events?

- A) The Picaro
- B) The Naif**
- C) The Foil
- D) The Archetype

4. What is the formal term for a pause or break near the middle of a line of verse, often marked by punctuation?

- A) Enjambment
- B) Caesura**
- C) Elision
- D) Trochee

5. Which term describes the 'god from the machine'--a plot device where an unsolvable problem is suddenly resolved by an unexpected intervention?

- A) Deus ex machina**
- B) In media res
- C) Hamartia
- D) Hubris

6. In poetry, what is a 'sonnet' traditionally required to contain regarding its structure?

- A) Twelve lines of free verse
- B) Six stanzas of alternating rhyme
- C) Fourteen lines and a specific rhyme scheme**
- D) Seven couplets of iambic hexameter

7. What does the writing technique 'in media res' translate to in English?

- A) Into the middle of things**
- B) Above the line of reasoning
- C) Within the flow of consciousness
- D) Against the grain of character

8. What is the term for a character who contrasts with another character to highlight particular qualities of the other?

- A) Antagonist
- B) Foil**
- C) Protagonist
- D) Static character