

“The Skating Party” Comprehension and analysis

Instructions:

1. These are short answer type questions which require FULL sentences.
2. Include direct examples from the story as support.
3. Use loose leaf to write your answers.

Questions:

- A. This story involves several instances of foreshadowing (providing hints in the story as to future actions through other events or the weather or dialogue). **Identify AND EXPLAIN** at least 3 examples of foreshadowing.

- B. The story begins with a discussion of the Stone Man. Why did the author choose to include this story, considering that it seems unrelated to the actual events of the skating party? **Consider who or what it could represent.**

- C. Irony is the unexpected twist in a story. Explain the irony at the end of the story **being sure to use the word BUT** in your explanation.

- D. There is a statement of belief suggested by the author; **it cannot be a word or phrase.** What is the theme of this story? Provide at least 2 examples to support your idea.

- E. Why was this story selected in the Teens section of the course when it involves the life of Uncle Nathan who is older? Consider the narrator in your answer.

- F. Through dialogue and storytelling of Uncle Nathan, his character is developed. **Choose 5 specific quotes** and **the trait** each quote suggests. Use the list of traits provided to select specific words rather than general ones.

- G. The story provides the reader with description both direct and indirect of Eunice and Delia. Using the Venn Diagram provided, **compare and contrast** the sisters **including quotations** as support.