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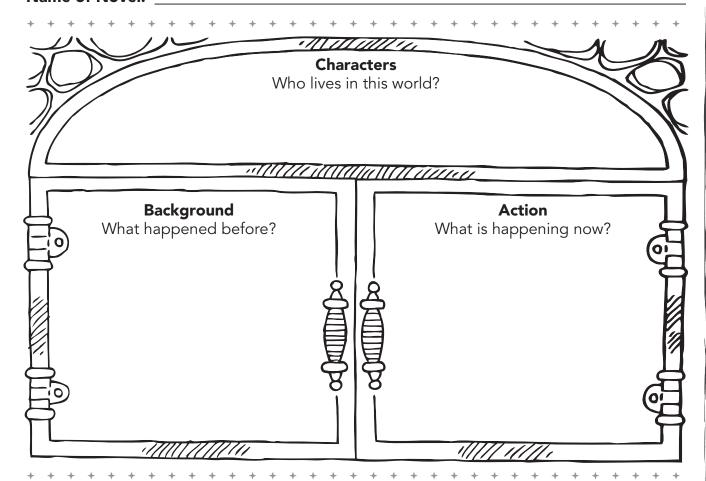
Plot & Structure

A DOOR TO A NEW WORLD

When you open up a new novel and begin reading, it is as if you are opening a door to a new world. This new world of the novel is filled with people you have never met and places you have never been. An author must introduce you to that world and make you want to stay in it for a long time.

Who lives in this world? What happened to these people before the novel began? What is happening to them in these first few pages of the novel? Use the diagram below to answer these questions about the beginning of the novel.

Name of Novel:



Considering Craft: Why do you think the author chose to start the book in this way? What effect does it have on you as a reader? In what ways does this scene draw you into the book and make you want to read more?

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Main Idea & Theme

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES

Many books in the children's literature genre contain the theme of overcoming obstacles. The main character must face a difficult situation, and he or she must find ways to overcome it.

Think of two obstacles or struggles that the main character must face. Write them in the boxes. In the spaces over the boxes, explain how the character overcame each obstacle.

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