Foreshadowing: A Mini-Lesson

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Definition

Foreshadowing suggests events that have yet to occur in a work of literature. Writers use foreshadowing to build their readers’ expectations and to create suspense. Example: A weapon found in a drawer early in a story might foreshadow a future crime in the story.

Apply

There are examples of foreshadowing in your book. Some are more obvious than others are. Use the guide below to identify an example of foreshadowing from your book. All members of your group are expected to contribute to your group’s answers.

1. Name the event that is foreshadowed earlier in the book.

2. Identify the clues that foreshadow the event. Write the page number and sentence/paragraph in which the foreshadowing is found. Include a second page number and sentence/paragraph that foreshadows the event if possible.

Challenge Question

1. Name a second event that is foreshadowed in the book.

2. Identify the clues that foreshadow the event. Write the page number and sentence/paragraph in which the foreshadowing is found.