

PROBLEM GRAPHIC ORGANIZER

The problem of a story is also called the plot. Many times characters in a book or story face conflicts or problems. How the character does or doesn't solve the problem becomes the story, or the events in the story. Problems can be a character against another character (a bully who always picks on others), a character against his/her environment (a boy and his dog get lost in a forest), a character against society (a girl who wants to play football on the high school team), or a character against him/herself (a girl who wants to grow up to be a doctor but can't stand the sight of blood or a boy who wants to be in the Olympics but is very clumsy).

Think of the problem that you want your character to have. Then think of three options or choices that the character has to solve the problem and the results of each choice. Your thoughts will help you to write the events of the story and to find a Resolution.

PROBLEM OF CHARACTER

Options character can take:

What will happen if character takes the option?

What will happen next?
