

STUDYING *Drama*

Genre Terminology

Tragedy Catharsis Hamartia Hubris Tragi-comedies Melodrama	Comedy Satire Black/Dark comedy Theater of the absurd
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Literary Terminology

Plot & Dramatic Structure

Exposition, Rising Action, Climax, Falling Action, Resolution/*Denouement*

Subplot

Flashback

Foreshadow

Character

 Round vs. Flat

 Static vs. Dynamic

 Foil

Monologue

Dialogue

Soliloquy

Asides

Tone

Irony – Verbal, Dramatic, Cosmic

For Helpful Writing Hints, review the following Checklists...

Plot – p. 1340

Character – p. 1467

Staging – p. 1643

Theme – p. 1770

Technical Terminology

Scenery, Props, Stage Direction

Costumes

Lighting

Music / Sound effects

*"All the world's a stage,
 And all the men and women merely players;
 They have their exits and their entrances;"*

-- *Jaques*, from Shakespeare's *As You Like It*
 (Act II, Scene VII, lines 139-141)