

Review: **Plot** is the series of events in a story. The plot usually centers on a **conflict**—a struggle or problem—faced by the main character. Most story plots have five stages: the **exposition** (introduction), **rising action** (development of the conflict), **climax** (high point of the conflict), **falling action** (what happens after the climax), and the **resolution** (final outcomes of the climax, telling how everything turns out, during which the main conflict may or may not be solved, and new ones may develop).

Directions: First, **read** each question. Then, **circle** the letter of the **best** answer to the question.

- At which point in the story is the exposition *most likely* to occur?
 - beginning
 - middle
 - end
- In the story of Robin Hood, which of the following represents part of the rising action?
 - Sir Robin of Locksley vows to live in the green wood, stealing from the rich to give to the poor.
 - Robin Hood wins the hand of the Lady Marian in marriage.
 - Robin Hood welcomes Friar Tuck into the outlaw band after they have a brisk swordfight beside a stream.
- In the story of Robin Hood, the main conflict occurs between Robin and
 - the Sheriff of Nottingham
 - Friar Tuck
 - the poor people of Nottinghamshire
- What would *most likely* happen at the climax of a story about a band of outlaws?
 - a decisive contest or battle between the outlaws and the law
 - an agreement to give up robbery for a law-abiding life
 - a decision to run away to sea as a pirate
- The resolution affects the meaning of a story by
 - indicating how the conflict will be settled
 - developing the conflict
 - explaining what happens to everyone