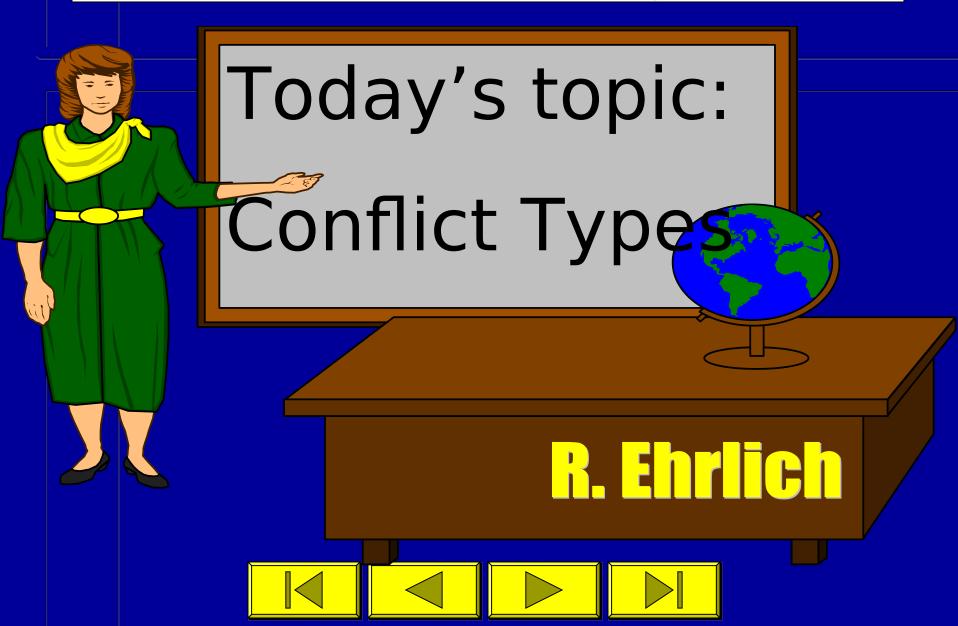
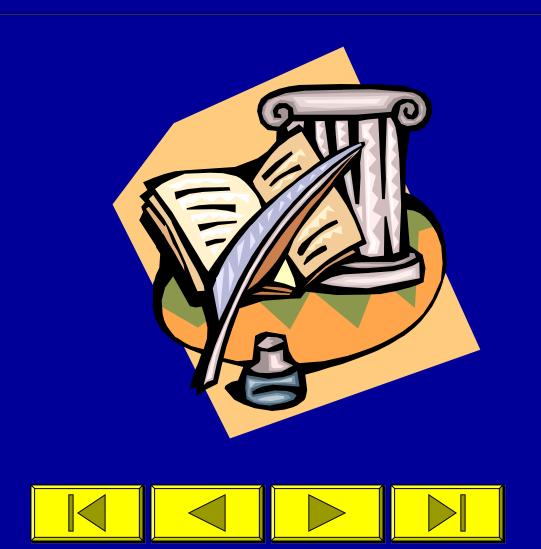
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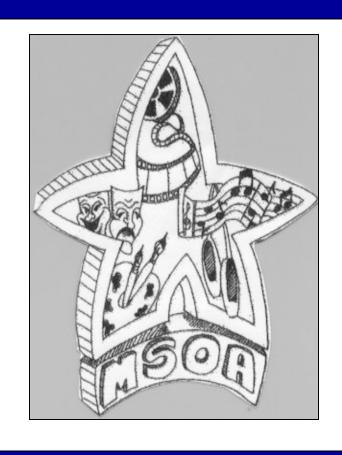


# What is a story without a problem?



## What are the 5 major conflicts?

- Person vs. Person
- Person vs. Society
- Person vs. Self
- Person vs. Nature
- Person vs. Fate



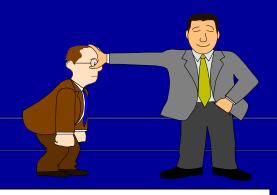








#### Person vs. Person



Person vs. Person is when a person has a problem with another person.

Example: Chris is mad at Bill for talking about him behind his back.

## Person vs. Society



Person vs. society is when a person has a problem with the society around them.

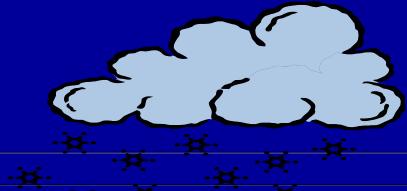
Example: Bob must fight the local church in order to schedule a dance in a town.

#### Person vs. Self



Person vs. Himself is when a person has a problem with an internal conflict (in the mind). **Example: Should Mr. Ehrlich** decide to chaperone the dance or go to the golf tornament?

#### Person vs. Nature



Person vs. Nature is when a person has a problem with nature.

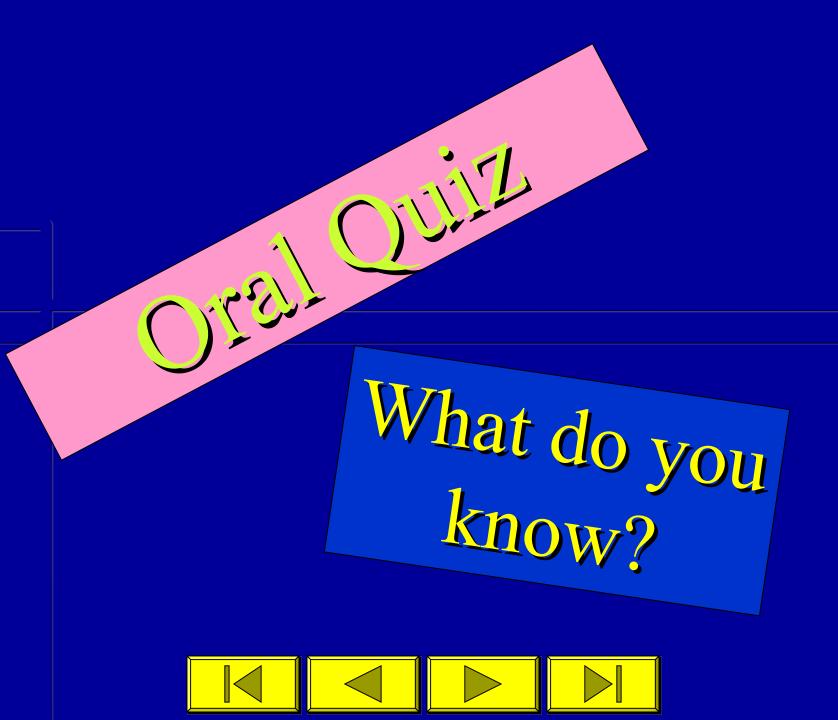
Example: Suzy cannot go home from school because there is a horrible blizzard.

#### Person vs. Fate



Person vs. Fate is when a person has a problem that seems to be uncontrollable.

Example: Liza has stomach cancer. She blames g-d.

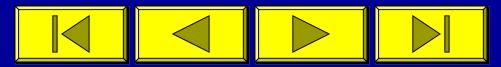


#### What is the conflict? Person v.

Gene fights the bully.



- Simon must decide if he should ask Dorothy out on a date.
- A rabid Doberman Pincher is chasing Andrew.



## Assignment #1

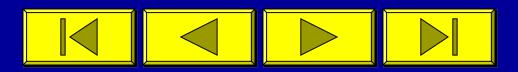
- Write 5 plots in complete sentences.
- Each plot must demonstrate a different type of plot.
- Label each plot appropriately.
  - E.g. John must stop the ape.(NATURE)

## Assignment #2

- Select one plot.
- On a white sheet of paper, write the plot sentence on the bottom.
- Label the type of plot at the top.
- Draw a picture that illustrates the plot.

# **Conflict Types**

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