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## KITE RUNNER STORY ANALYSIS

**Part 1 – Plot Map: List major events that fall into each part of the story below.**

**Exposition** (Introduction):

**Disturbance** (what started the main “problem”):

**Rising Action:**

**Climax** (single event after which the situation has changed; tension is gone or greatly reduced):

**Falling Action:**

**Conclusion**

**Part 2 – Characters: List and describe the characters who fill each role below.**

**Protagonist:**

**Name –**

**Description –**

**Antagonist:**

**Name –**

**Description –**

**Part 3 – Setting: List and describe the major settings within the novel.**

**Part 4 – Theme (the main issue the story deals with; could be a lesson the author wants to teach or an issue he/she wants to address; it is the element that ties all other story elements together. The characters, plot, and setting all work together to communicate the theme): Tell what the theme of this story is and explain why you think this.**

**Part 5 – Tone (the way in which the story is told) – Is the tone of this story serious, humorous, sarcastic, light-hearted, or are several tones used throughout the story to communicate the events and theme?**

**Part 6 – Point of View – Is the story told in first person, second person, or third person point of view? (Circle one.)**

**Part 7 – Foreshadowing: List 3 examples of foreshadowing (when the author drops hints about what is to come) in this novel? GIVE PAGE NUMBERS for each.**

**Part 8 – Irony – Tell what is **IRONIC** about each of the events below.**

- A. Amir finally gets recognition and respect from his father when he wins the Kite Fighting contest, but ....
- B. Hassan is very loyal to Amir and is not willing to give up the blue kite he ran for him, but....
- C. Soraya feels very ashamed when she tells Amir her “secret” about running off with the other man when she was 18, but....
- D. Amir is almost killed when he is beaten by Assef, but....
- E. Sohrab saves Amir with his slingshot, but....
- F. Amir learns from Soraya on the phone that they have gotten a humanitarian visa for Sohrab to come to America so he will not have to go to an orphanage like he feared, but....
- G. It was a kite fight/contest that tore Amir and Hassan apart years ago, but ....

**Part 9 – EXTRA CREDIT: Come up with additional ironic situations from the novel (like those in Part 8 above). For each, (1) describe the situation and (2) explain what is ironic about it. You can get up to 5 points extra credit for each.**