NARRATIVE/STORY WRITING

To summarize a text, use these prompts:

- **SOMEBODY:** Who is the main character?

- **WANTED:** What did the main character want?

- **BUT:** What was the problem?

- **SO:** How did the main character try to solve the problem?

- **THEN:** How does the story end?

EXAMPLE

- **SOMEBODY:** Little Red Riding Hood
- **WANTED:** To bring some treats to her grandma who was sick

- **BUT:** The wolf got to grandma's house first
- **SO:** The wolf pretended to be grandma
- **THEN:** (1) The wolf eats both the girl and her grandma. (2) A woodsman/axeman saves the girl and her grandma. or (3) The girl runs away. There may be some other variation depending on which version you're reading.

YOUR TURN:

SOMEBODY: NAME YOUR LEGEND/S-CHARACTERS.

WANTED: WHAT DO THEY WANT TO DO/ACHIEVE? (PURPOSE)

BUT: WHAT'S THE CONFLICT/PROBLEM? WHAT STOPS THEM FROM ACHIEVING THEIR GOAL?

SO: WHAT DID THEY DO TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM?

THEN: HOW DOES THE STORY END? DID THEY DEFEAT THE PROBLEM? DID THE PROBLEM DEFEAT THEM? DID THEY LIVE WITH THE PROBLEM?

HAPPY/SAD ENDING/STING IN THE TAIL?