**Unit 1: Study Guide**

Know the definitions for the following words and be able to provide examples.

**Story Elements:**

* **Setting-** when and where the story takes place
* **Character-** the people, animals, and/or objects who are important in the story
* **Problem-** the main issue that characters are having
* **Solution-** the way the characters solve the problem
* **Events (Plot)-** the important actions that happen during the story
* **Sequencing-** placing the events in order of when they took place (first, next, then, last) (beginning, middle, and end)
* **Genre-** the type of story it is (for example: fairy tale, biography, myth, historical fiction, mystery, etc).

**Author’s Purpose:** the reason why authors write

* + The three purposes are persuade, inform, and entertain.
		- **Persuade:** the author wants to convince the reader to do something or think a certain way
		- **Inform:** the author wants to teach you something or give you information
		- **Entertain:** the author wants to hold your interest through enjoyment

**Prediction:** making a good guess about what will happen next