WORKSHOP OUTLINE: Elements of Fiction

I. Basic Description: Students will learn how to use the elements of fiction as a tool in literature essays.

II. Workshop Entry Expectations Skills Level Ranges: Reading 4; Writing 4; Listening/Speaking 4; Math 1

III. Workshop Exit Standards Upon successful completion of this workshop, the student will be able to:

   a. List and define the Elements of Fiction
   b. Identify examples of expressions about an element of fiction
   c. Compose a paragraph referencing an element of fiction

IV. Workshop Content The following concepts, ideas, or topics must be covered:

V. 1) Plot; 2) Style; 3) Character; 4) Symbolism; 5) Mood; 6) Irony; 7) Narration; 8) Setting; 9) Theme.

VI. The following methods of instruction may be used in the course:

   1. Directed class discussions, small-group discussions, peer group writing workshops, individual conferences, small-group conferences, and student presentations.
   2. Films, audio-visuals, slides, and hand-out materials may be used to supplement discussion and readings.
   3. Debate, role-playing activities, group projects, or other active learning.
   4. Guest speakers from related disciplines may be invited to present special topical material.
   5. Student ownership and presentation of assigned workshop material.

V. Methods of Evaluation The following methods of evaluation may be used in the workshop:

   1) Pre- and Post-tests.

VII. Student Learning Outcomes Upon successful completion of this workshop, the student will be able to demonstrate his/her ability to:

   1) Explain the Elements of Fiction as useful tools for explaining fiction;
   2) Write a paragraph using an element to enhance understanding of a piece of fiction.