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Elements of Conflict Practice
Without conflict, there is no plot.

For this worksheet, you may refer to "The 5 Elements of Conflict" handout you were given in class.

I. Write the letter of the correct type of conflict in the blank for each definition.

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| A. Man vs Self | D. Man vs Nature |
| B. Man vs Man | E. Man vs Supernatural |
| C. Man vs Society | |

- _____ 1. The obstacle for the character is a natural element; such as weather, natural surroundings, an animal, or disease.
- _____ 2. The character is opposed by another character's actions, reactions, or motivations.
- _____ 3. The character's opposition is elements that defy natural laws and go beyond scientific reasoning.
- _____ 4. The character is opposed by norms that society as a whole endorses, which contradict the character's beliefs.
- _____ 5. The opposition for the character is the character himself as he battles internal issues such as difficult decisions, which affect his interaction with other characters.

II. Match the type of conflict with the examples of characters or titles by writing the correct letter in each blank. Some examples may have more than one answer, but only one answer is required.

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Examples:

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| _____ 1. Peter Pan/Captain Hook | _____ 6. Mr. Scrooge |
| _____ 2. Robinson Crusoe/the sea | _____ 7. The miller's daughter/Rumpelstiltskin |
| _____ 3. Mr. Grinch | _____ 8. Harry Potter/Lord Voldemort |
| _____ 4. <i>A Wrinkle in Time</i> | _____ 9. <i>The Call of the Wild</i> |
| _____ 5. <i>The Hunger Games</i> | _____ 10. <i>The Ugly Duckling</i> |

BONUS: List one example of your own for EACH type of conflict. (+1 point each)

1. Man vs Self - _____

2. Man vs Man - _____

3. Man vs Society - _____

4. Man vs Nature - _____

5. Man vs Supernatural - _____