

WiseWrite Unit 3: DRAMATIC CONFLICT

One or more characters in a play want or need something, whether it is an object, a feeling or a changed condition. Dramatic conflict occurs when something keeps a character from getting what he/she/it wants or needs.

Which of the following is NOT a good example of dramatic conflict. Circle one.

- a) Sally the Salamander wants to eat Fred the Fly.
- b) Mom tells Messy Mike to clean his room.
- c) Katy wants to play. Her friend Patty wants to sleep.
- d) Disco Danny loves to dance. He dances with his friend Toe Tapping Tina.

Revise the following to correct dramatic conflict.

a) TEACHER

You want an A in my class, but you don't have your homework again Lisa? That's OK. Do it whenever.

LISA

Yay! I'm going to eat paste!

b) FUNNY BUNNY

Squirrel, Possum, help me get to the circus. Never mind. I don't want to.

c) (THOMAS and KATI search for the treasure and find it in the first place they look.)

Fill in the blank using dramatic conflict.

a) (NANCY THE NERVOUS SQUIRREL saw LARRY LAWNMOWER stuck in the mud.)

LARRY

_____.

NANCY

I can't. I'm _____.

b) BOBBY THE BEAVER

The treasure is behind that door. We need to _____

_____.