

Notebook Entry #1: Finding Story Elements in the Blurb

Before starting to read a book, good readers get the story in their heads by reading the blurb and identifying story elements.

Blurb (Puffin, 2004):

A bizarre chain of events begins when sixteen unlikely people gather for the reading of Samuel W. Westing's will. And though no one knows why the eccentric, game-loving millionaire has chosen a virtual stranger—and a possible murderer—to inherit his vast fortune, one thing's for sure: Sam Westing may be dead...but that won't stop him from playing one last game!

Characters:

Setting (place):

Setting (time):

Problem:

Prediction: