Considerations when responding to texts

Setting	Based on the text, what can you tell where the action takes place?
	Comment on the opening of the piece. How does it begin? Do you like it? Does it grab your attention?
Narration	From what viewpoint is the text told?
	Is it first or third person?
Characterisation	Identify each character (people, animals etc)
	What are your impressions of each character? Find evidence in the extract to support your points.
Dialogue	Is there dialogue?
	Examine the conversations/dialogue.
	How would you describe these? Support your answer with evidence.
Mood/Atmosphere	What kind of mood or atmosphere is evident?
	What shapes your impression of this mood/atmosphere?
	Pick out examples and explain.
Descriptive Language	Can you find examples of figurative language?
B	For example:
	similes (comparisons using 'like' or 'as')
	metaphors (direct comparisons) .
	imagerypersonification
	• symbolism
	What impact do these have on you?
Storytelling / Genre	Having read this text, could you write a sequel or change the ending?
	Do you like the title of the piece? Could you suggest an alternative title?
	What impact did this text have on you? Could you relate to it?