A Hero’s Journey

Directions: For any story, answer the following questions to determine the hero’s journey.

1. Ordinary world - What is the hero’s world like at the beginning of the story?

2. Call to adventure - What happens to prompt the hero to take a step into the adventure?

3. Refusal of the call - Does the hero refuse to go? If so, why?

4. Meeting with the mentor - Who helps the hero gain wisdom?

5. Crossing the first threshold - When does the hero cross the point of no return in the story?

6. Tests, allies, and enemies - How do the other characters affect the hero?

7. Approach - Does the hero try and fail? How so? What does he do when he fails?

8. Ordeal - What happens when the story reaches a life-or-death point?

9. Reward - What does the hero receive as a reward?

10. The road back - How does the hero attempt to return to his or her normal life?

11. Resurrection of the hero - What is the final test?

12. Return with the elixir - What knowledge or wisdom does the hero bring back with him or her?