“The Lottery”

Discussion Questions

Identify two objects that function as **symbols** in the text. Explain the symbolism behind each of the objects.

How did Jackson **foreshadow** the ending of the story in paragraphs 2 and 3 of the text?

Describe the **exposition** of the story. How does the **setting** affect the story?

In what ways does Jackson use **imagery** in paragraph 1 to make the reader believe that this is going to be a happy story?

**Irony** is the contrast between expectation and reality. Identify two examples of **situational irony** and explain why these examples are ironic.

Identify and explain two possible **themes** for the story.

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