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The Scarlet Letter  
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**Honors English 11 Summer 2018**  
**Literary Elements**

**Directions:** Use the chart below to create a chapter summary that would include:

<b>Literary Element</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Notes/Examples from book</b>
allusion	An implied or indirect reference to a person, event, or a part of another text. <b>Ex:</b> Martin Luther King Jr. started his “I Have a Dream” speech by saying “Five score years ago,” which alludes to Abraham Lincoln’s <i>Gettysburg Address</i> in which Lincoln said, “For score and seven years ago...”	
characterization	The process of developing a three dimensional and believable representation of a character in fiction or drama. <b>Ex:</b> Edmond Dante’s desire for revenge in <u><i>The Count of Monte Cristo</i></u> by Alexandre Dumas.	
conflict	The opposition of persons or forces upon which dramatic actions depends. <b>Ex:</b> A character is struggling with a decision.	
theme	The domination message or idea of a work of literature. <b>Ex:</b> The loss of innocence.	
symbolism	A character or image that stands in the place of something that is often abstract or intangible. <b>Ex:</b> The lion is a symbol of courage.	

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foreshadowing	When an event in a story is referred to before the event actually takes place; meant to be a clue for the reader so that they can guess what may happen later in the story. <b>Ex:</b> One character makes a reference to another character's possible death, and later in the story, that character dies.	
in media res	In or into the middle of the narrative plot without formality of an introduction or lengthy exposition; the story starts in the middle of the action. <b>Ex:</b> <i>The Iliad</i> begins in the middle of the fight between Achilles and Agamemnon.	
motif	A recurring thematic element which has symbolic significance in the story. <b>Ex:</b> The recurrence of the green light in <u>The Great Gatsby</u> .	
plot	The main story or plan of a literary work; the order of events. <b>Ex:</b> The novel, <u>Rebecca</u> , is very plot-driven, full of mystery and romance, as the reader learns the causes of Rebecca's death.	
setting	The location and time frame in which the action of the narrative takes place. <b>Ex:</b> The South during the Great Depression in <u>To Kill a Mockingbird</u>	