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| Person vs. Self |  | An INTERNAL conflict that involves the struggle between the character and his/her conscience. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ A woman is tempted to steal money from her employer in order to feed her family.➤ A man tries to decide whether to stay with his family or move to another state to take a better paying job.➤ A teenager is torn between ditching school with her friends and staying to take a test in a class she is failing. |
| Person vs. Nature |  | An EXTERNAL conflict that involves a struggle between the character and the elements of nature that are beyond his/her control. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ A family is stranded in a snowstorm.➤ A woman is unable to function because of illness or condition.➤ A man is stalked by a wild animal in the forest. |

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| Person vs. Person |  | <p>An EXTERNAL conflict that involves a struggle, mental or physical, between two characters in the story.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ A husband and wife disagree about how their money should be spent.➤ Two little boys get into a fistfight.➤ A boss fires an employee. |
| Person vs. Society |  | <p>An EXTERNAL conflict that involves the struggle between a character and the rules or laws that govern the society in which he/she lives.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ A woman is in a hurry and runs a red light.➤ A teenager breaks the curfew set by his parents.➤ A man stands up for what he believes is right, even though almost everyone else disagrees with him. |