Flashback and Foreshadowing

Foreshadowing

When an _____ mentions or _____at something that will happen _____in the story.

- o Think of foreshadowing as a way of giving the reader a chance to make a _____about what might happen in the story.
- o _____means ahead.
- o A _____is a glimpse of something without the complete details.

An example of foreshadowing:

Sam wished he could rid himself of the sick feeling in his gut. He was reluctant to go on the trip. He had heard about pickpockets being a huge tourist problem but Jessica couldn't wait.

What do you think might happen next?

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Flashback

When an _____refers _____to something that already took place in the story.

- o Flashbacks are often used to _____events that happened_____ to the story's primary sequence of events or to fill in crucial _____.
- o Flashbacks often show what _____a character or _____something important about a character's _____, including his or her _____, inner or external_____, or significant events that _____his or her life.
- o _____means a quick glimpse.
- o _____is a look back in the story at something that_____ happened.

Flashback

Dream Sequence—Occurs when a character has _____
asleep and dreams about events in the _____.

> Sarah was nervous about her performance. She had a dream about her
> performance from last year when she fell in front of everyone.

Memory—Occurs when the character is _____by thinking
about an event in the past. The author will typically put a character in a
_____when something from the past occurs.

- o The character may _____ something, _____something, or
  encounter a _____who played a _____in their past.
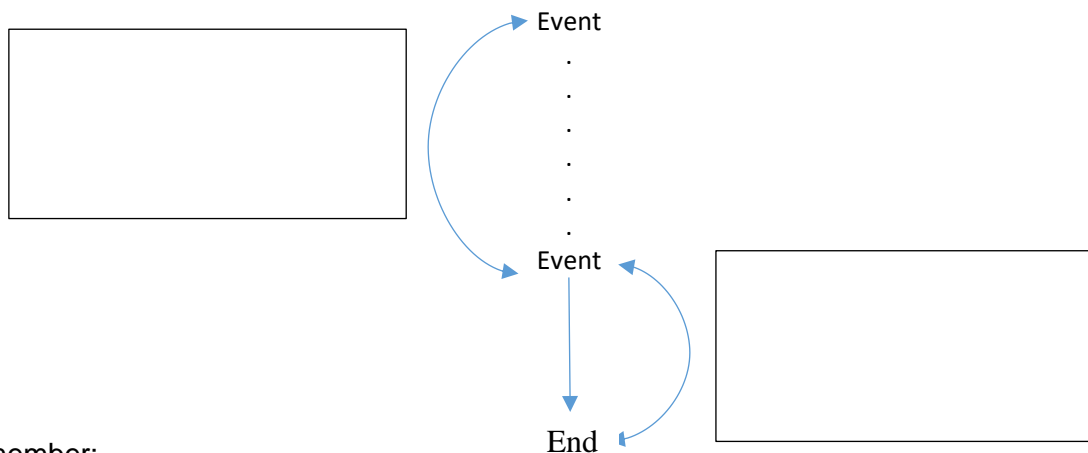
> I hadn't had my grandmothers cooking in years but the moment
> I smelled the oatmeal, I was taken right back to being seven in
> my grandmother's kitchen, baking cookies.

Underline the flashback in this passage:

*Sarah closed her eyes and took a deep breath. It was exactly a year ago today that she stood
in this very same spot, trying to do the very same thing. "How could I be doing this?" Sarah
thought to herself. She took a deep breath and recalled that embarrassing and humiliating time.*

*She had sung on stage a million times, but, for some reason, that night was different. As she
gazed out to the crowd, Sarah's breath had quickened and her heart began to beat a mile a
minute. "I can't do this," she mumbled as she fled the stage.*

*And now, exactly a year later, Sarah stood, ready to head out on stage. She hoped she was
ready.*

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Event

End

Remember:

- When an author_____ or _____ at something that will happen
  _____ in the story, it is called_____.

- When an author refs _____ to something that's in the _____, it's
  called_____.