# Tell-Tale Heart Project

# Components needed for each stage of the PLOT Chart

#### Exposition

#### Example:

- Narrator is introduced. We learn a little secret about him. Conflict is also introduced at the beginning. The narrator is vexed by what?
- Make sure to divide the paper in half to show setting, time, and characters.

## **Rising Action**

Example:

- For 7 nights, narrator does the same routine. What is the routine? What is he plotting to do?
- On the 8<sup>th</sup> night, the old man hears something. What is it? Why does the old man sit up on his bed? What did he hear? Where is the narrator?

## Climax

## Example:

- The narrator does what in this stage?
- How does he do this?
- What does he do with the evidence?

## **Falling Action**

#### Example:

- Who showed up and at what time?
- What was heard by the neighbor?
- What did they need?

#### Resolution

Example:

- The narrator starts to hear something at a distance. It grows louder and louder.
- What is it?
- Where is he at the time this happens?
- How does the story end?

**THEME:** The theme is that the human heart cannot endure the burden of guilt. The guilty must confess somehow or be consumed by his/her conscience

# Rubric for Tell-Tale Heart Project

\_\_\_\_\_All components must be included for each stage (follow the guide provided) **40 points** \_\_\_\_\_\_Text from story must be included. Add Line & pg **# 20 points** \_\_\_\_\_Color Neatly ( Shading is allowed ) **20 points** Presentation (It must be appealing.) **20 points**