

and unexpected and so as to create a sense of surprise.

A modern short story has invariably the elements of sex and psychology. Emergence of Freud and his psycho-analysis has influenced modern life very much. Modern short stories deal with sexual behaviour and present psycho-analysis of such behaviour. "A Shadow" and "The Blue Film" are psychological stories.

Short stories portray only one aspect of human life. It is different from novel which portrays many aspects of human life. In a short story one aspect of one's character is brought to life. A short story must be short enough to be finished in one sitting. It must end where it starts. It should create an impression of organic whole.

Thus a short story is a popular form of literature. In a short story it is the beginning and the end that are of prime importance. Hence it is like a horse race. Today people are so busy that they do not like to read long story and novel. They enjoy reading a short story very much. It is so much interesting and delicious for them.

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Short Story

Q. Write in short the characteristics of a Short Story.

Ans:- Short story is the most popular literary form in modern age. It is an age of lack, hurry and divided aims. People have neither patience nor time to read novels. Hence short story occupies an important place in our time. It has some special features.

A short story must be short. It must have a beginning, a middle and an end. It must have semblance real life. Fantastic short ~~story~~ stories do not hold our attention or creates illusion of reality. As such, it is a slice of life.

A short story is remarkable for suspense and surprise. A short story must create such situation that we should be anxious to know what is going to happen next. Their curiosity about the following incidents should be aroused. In other words they should be completely involved in the story. A short story should have abrupt