

Planning a Short, Short Story

Name **Rebecca**

Directions: Take notes on separate paper so you have room to be detailed.

Working Title: Waiting for His E-mail

Working Lead: I have a an upset stomach.

Central Problem: narrator meets guy in summer—has huge crush on him but he lives 10 hours away

Two Characters: Make a list of their physical and personality traits and include some history. Try to make their differences clear.

Narrator: major crush on guy, want him so see her as more than a friend, she obsesses about him—thinks of him all the time—emails him—wonders eh he doesn't answer--

Guy: handsome, athletic—loves soccer, snorkels; sees narrator as friend, levelheaded, realistic about distance

Settings: vacation home and beach; narrator's home during school year

Plot: Narrator explains her huge crush; at first guy ignores her; then narrator's family has the guy's family over to dinner; they talk, and become friends; he goes home to Vancouver and they email. He sees narrator as friend; narrator is "in love." They email and share feelings about dances and friends.