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Analyzing Setting and Characterization

*All My Sons*

Directions: Complete the graphic organizer below based on your group’s discussion and analysis of how the author’s choice of words and phrases (diction) impact your understanding of characters and setting. **Examples below**

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| Literary Device/Element | Words/Phrases | What they mean to me |
| Characterization | Page \_\_**1**\_\_: Character: **Joe Keller****“…a heavy man of stolid mind and build…”** | **Miller uses words like “heavy” and “stolid” to perhaps imply that Keller is an emotionless and unintelligent man but there is a strength about him.** |
| Page \_\_\_\_:Character: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
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| Setting | Page \_\_**1**\_\_:  **“…yard of the Keller home in the outskirts of an American town… hedged on right and left by tall, closely planted poplars which lend the yard a secluded atmosphere…”** | **Miller’s use of the words “outskirts”, “hedged”, “tall, closely planted”, and “secluded atmosphere” may imply that the Keller family may want their privacy, are antisocial, or they have something to hide.**  |
| Page \_\_**1**\_\_:  **“…would have cost fifteen thousand in the early twenties… nicely painted, looks tight and comfortable, and the yard is green with sod, here and there plants…”** | **Miller’s diction infers the Kellers are most likely financially well-off and take good care of their house. It might also imply that they are concerned about appearances.**  |
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