

Hero/Quest Archetypal Story

Hero/Quest Archetype is an analogy for the never-ending cycle of birth, life, and death. (Joseph Campbell)

Write your notes from our discussion in class:

Archetype means

so an *archetypal story* is one that

The HERO/QUEST Archetype typically has five parts (in this order):

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____

For each of the five parts, write an example from a movie that you choose.

SEPARATION

INITIATION

BELLY OF THE BEAST

DISCOVERY

RETURN

The following items are common elements which sometimes appear in the hero/quest story.

For each listed below, write an example from the same movie you used on the first side of this worksheet. Use the examples for “Napoleon Dynamite” and “The Incredibles” to help you determine the right answers.

extended search

supernatural forces

decisive victories (usually triumphing over evil)

acts of selflessness

rescue of the princess (or other helpless person)

call to adventure

wise and helpful guide

into the unknown