

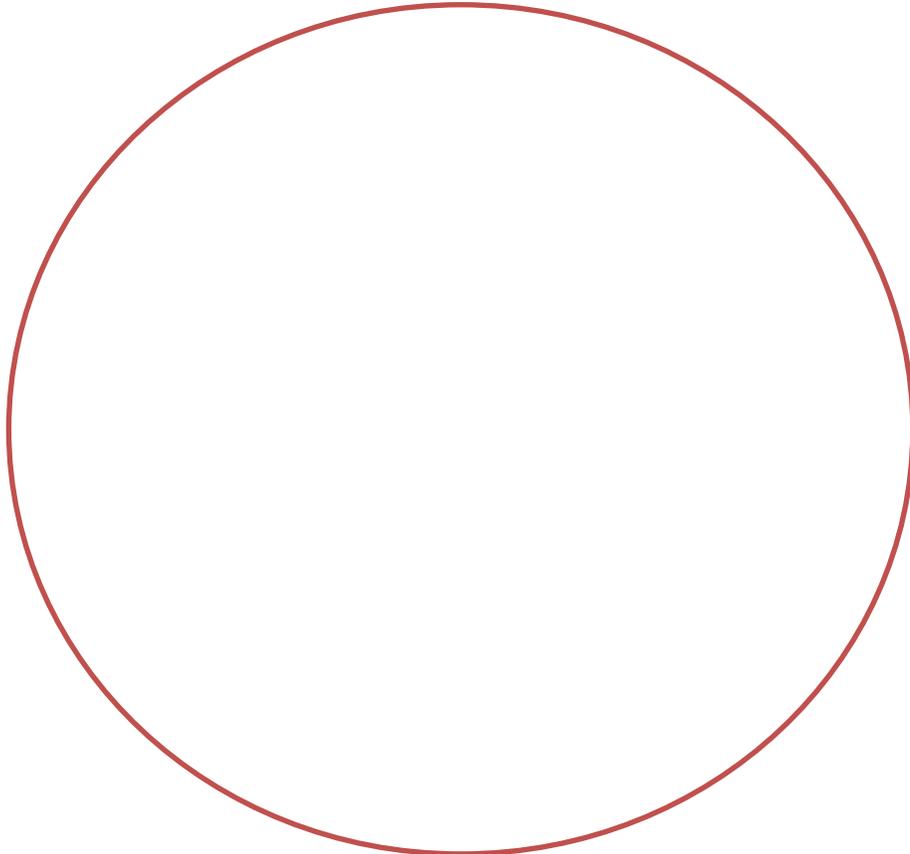
ELEMENT INFORMATION CHART

CHARACTER/OBJECT	ROLE IN STORY	POSSIBLE SYMBOLISM
Boy		
Once-ler		
Truffula tree/fruit		
Bar-ba-loots		
Humming fish		
Swanee- swans		
Thneed		
Lorax		
Truffula seed		
Gluppity glup		
Super-Axe Hacker		
Unless		
Schloppity-schlop		

HOW TO MAKE A CONNECTION CIRCLE



1. Draw a large circle.
2. List important elements around the circle.
3. Identify an element that causes another element to increase or decrease.
 - A. Draw an arrow from the cause to the effect.
 - B. Make sure that the causal connection is a direct one.
 - C. Identify the value of the arrows and label them with a (+) or a (-) near the arrow head OR color the arrow red (+) or green (-).
4. Continue to identify elements with cause and effect connections.
 - A. Limit the number to between five and ten.
 - B. All elements should be nouns or noun phrases.
 - C. Elements can increase or decrease.



Letter to the Once-ler



Write a letter to the "Once-ler" and persuade him to start taking action to preserve the natural resources in the valley. Write the letter as if you were the "Lorax."

The letter should be organized in a basic letter format as demonstrated in class. Make sure that you organize your letter carefully. In order to do this, make sure that your introductory paragraph introduces yourself to the "Once-ler." You should also explain your purpose for writing the letter. The body paragraphs of the letter should include linking words or phrases that make your ideas flow smoothly. Finally, you will include a concluding paragraph that brings a sense of closure to the reader and briefly summarizes your main ideas. The letter will need *one introductory paragraph, at least two body paragraphs, and one concluding paragraph.*

- **Introduction:** State your reason for writing to the Once-ler. Describe who you are and why you are writing to him. What is the one main focus of your letter?
- **Body:** State your case here. Include facts, references, or research here to establish credibility.
- **Conclusion:** Include a call to action. Ask the Once-ler to reconsider what he has done and try to remedy the problem. Offer him some possible changes that could be made that might help

Let the personality of the "Lorax" come through in your letter. You will be trying to encourage the "Once-ler" to preserve our natural resources and the quality of the environment, so your letter should be persuasive in its tone. Try to use some powerful words that would be helpful in convincing the "Once-ler" to change his ways.

CONNECTION CIRCLE TEMPLATE

