**vignette** - a small, graceful literary sketch

**barrio** - a neighborhood (often in a city), inhabited chiefly by a Spanish-speaking population

**symbolism** - the practice of representing things by [symbols](http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/symbol), or of investing things with a [symbolic](http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/symbolic) meaning or character.

**symbol** - something that represents or stands for something else

shoes/feet

trees

poetry

**motifs** - Motifs are recurring structures, contrasts, or literary devices that can help to develop and inform the text’s major themes

women in windows

names

flying

feet

**Themes** - Themes are the fundamental and often universal ideas explored in a literary work.

the concept of home

power of language

childhood vs adulthood

women vs. men