

The “Card Trick”

Begin now keeping a “deck of cards,” one for each work you see or read. Use 4 x 6 or 5 x 7 cards; choose a size that works for you. On the front of the card record the following information:

- o the author (last name first for alphabetizing)
- o the title
- o the type of literature (play, novel, story...)
- o the year of writing
- o the setting (time and place)
- o the names of the main characters and their relationship to each other
- o the plot line (in two or three sentences)
- o the theater, date of performance, and director (for a play or movie)

On the back, record

- o a brief reaction (brief, here, means one sentence)
- o questions you have
- o a memorable line or two
- o another work of literature (or art or music) to which you see some relation