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Ethan Frome by Edith Wharton

Author _____

of pages _____

Main Characters _____

Setting _____

Introduction - How does the book begin?

Symbol - What does the name "Starkfield" suggest about the setting? How might it be a symbol? Use content from the novel to explain your answer.

Foreshadow - Since we know from the Prologue that the novel involves a tragedy, what foreshadowing devices has the author used in the Prologue?

Foreshadow - The ending to the novel is disappointing but should not be surprising. Discuss several clues dropped throughout the novel that led inexorably to the tragic end.

Character - Ethan's greatest hindrance to happiness is himself. Support this statement with content from the novel.

Theme - One theme from the novel focuses on the inability to communicate as a cause of unhappiness. How is this true for Zeena and Ethan? Use examples from the novel to support your answer.

Tragedy - Discuss the novel as a tragedy in the classical sense in which a flaw in the hero's character contributes to his downfall.
