

## Explore Your Book

Your textbook will be the primary source for 90% of what we do in this class. So it's important to take a moment to familiarize yourself with a few of its helpful features.

What's inside?

### *Front of the Book*

**Table of Contents:** a categorical list of the literary works included inside the book.

### *Middle of the Book*

**Unit or Story Introductions:** brief overview of the unit or story

**Author Biographies:** brief biography of the author of the story to follow

**Footnote:** note at the bottom of the page that provides further information about something in the above text

**Vocabulary Word:** word within the story that is marked and defined (often in the margin)

**Unit or Story Reviews:** brief review (either in topic or in question form) of the preceding story

### *End of the Book*

**Glossary:** alphabetical collection of terms from the book, as well as their definitions

**Index:** alphabetical list of authors or titles (or both), and the page numbers on which they can be found

Familiarizing yourself with these helpful features will allow you to navigate this course more effectively. You should always be able to answer the questions in the "review." You should always know the meaning of footnoted words, as well as those words designated as "vocabulary." And most importantly, you should never have to ask, "What page is it on?"