

The time and place in which story events occur is called the **setting**. A story's setting can help shape events and influence how characters speak, act, and respond to problems. Vivid descriptions help readers picture the setting in their minds. A story may be set in:

- a real or imaginary place
- the past, present, or future

Use a cluster diagram like the one below to record details of setting that bring a particular time and place to life.

Title:

Author:

