**Understanding Conflict in Literature**

Conflict plays the central role in the development of the plot, characters, and theme of many short stories. Types of conflict that exist in literature include ***person vs. person, person vs. nature, individual vs. society, person vs. supernatural,*** and ***person vs. self***.

**Directions**: Fill in the chart below with specific examples of conflict from the short story, what type of conflict is typified by the example, and an explanation of why the example is significant.

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| **Specific Example** | **Type of Conflict** | **Explanation** |
| “The two enemies stood glaring at one another for a long silent moment.” | Man  Vs.  Man | The entire premise of the story is that two men are hunting each other on account of hatred derived from a centuries old land dispute. It doesn’t get more man vs. man- ish than “glaring at one another for a long silent moment.” |
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