***Literary Terms to focus on while reading "Broken Chain" by Gary
Soto.***

**Direct Characterization**

 -when the author tells the reader if a character is amusing, dull, or brave

**Indirect Characterization**

 -when the author reveals personality traits of a character in one or more of the following
ways:

 1. through the words of the characters

 2. through a description of the character's looks, clothing, thoughts and feelings

 3. through comments made about the particular character by other characters within the
story

 4. through the character's behaviors

**Subplot**

 -a minor plot that relates to the main plot of the story

**Conflict**

 -a problem that the character is faced with either internally or externally

**Parallel Episode**

 -a scene that mirrors a previous scene within the plot of the story

**Motivation**

 -a character's reason for doing something