

# symbolism

## How Do We Recognize Symbols?

- 3 Step Process
  - **Recognize and define a candidate**
    - \* **Tell** = an indication that something *might* be symbolic
    - \* Archetype
      - Flag
      - Circle(rings, etc)
    - \* Color
      - Black cross
    - \* Name
      - James Castle(JC)
    - \* Numbers
    - \* Nature
    - \* Animals
    - \* Ages
    - \* Dreams
    - \* Repitition
    - \* Privileged Position
      - Placing important elements at points where reader's focus is high
  - **Substitute definition and meaning into text**
    - \* *Does it make sense?*
  - **Determine is the substiution provides insight**