Refining Your Analysis

I. Analyzing the Main Characters

The Cat
1. How do specific examples of characterization establish the psychological personality of the cat?
2. How does this personality contribute to the main conflict and climax of the story’s plot?
3. How does this personality contribute to the theme?

The Fish
1. How do specific examples of characterization establish the psychological personality of the cat?
2. How does this personality contribute to the main conflict and climax of the story’s plot?
3. How does this personality contribute to the theme?
The Narrator and Sally
1. How do specific examples of characterization establish the psychological personality of the cat?

2. How does this personality contribute to the main conflict and climax of the story’s plot?

3. How does this personality contribute to the theme?

II. Beginning Your Essay
To conclude this activity, you’ll choose a character from *The Cat in the Hat* and explains that character’s contribution to the plot and theme of the story.

**Argument**
How does the character you’ve chosen contribute to the plot and theme?

**Support**
What details from the story support your argument?

**Explanation**
Explain the significance of each detail you’ve identified.