Types of Thoughtshots

• **Flashback**—a character thinks back about something that has already happened. (*He remembered the first time he saw snow...*)

• Flash-Ahead—a character thinks about something that is going to happen or might happen in the future. Writers often use flash-aheads when a character is trying to make a decision. (She thought about going to the new school. What would it be like? Would she have friends? ...)

• Internal Dialogue—a character thinks about what is happening at that moment. (He thought about what the teacher had just said. His mind raced, but he didn't know the answer. Why did she call on him? ...)



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