Figure 3.11: Story Summary Template And Example: Wonder

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| Formula |
| Line 1: Write the character or individual. |
| Line 2: Write two words describing the character or individual. |
| Line 3: Write three words describing the setting. |
| Line 4: Write four words stating the central conflict.* |
| Line 5: Write five words associated with one event in the narrative.* |
| Line 6: Write six words associated with a second event.* |
| Line 7: Write seven words associated with a third event.* |
| Line 8: Write eight words associated with the solution to the central conflict or the theme.* |
| Example |
| <u>Auggie</u> |
| <u>Courageous</u> <u>humorous</u> |
| Beecher Prep home camp |
| <u>August attends Beecher Prep.</u> |
| August overhears Jack dismiss friendship. |
| <u>Classmates defend August from camp bullies.</u> |
| Auggie earns award; friendship and appreciation abound. |
| Inner character reveals one's essence rather than appearances |

Source: Adapted from Glass, K. T. (2018). (Re)designing narrative writing units for grades 5–12. Bloomington, IN: Solution Tree Press.

^{*} Or a ____-word sentence—for example, "Write a six-word sentence describing a second event."