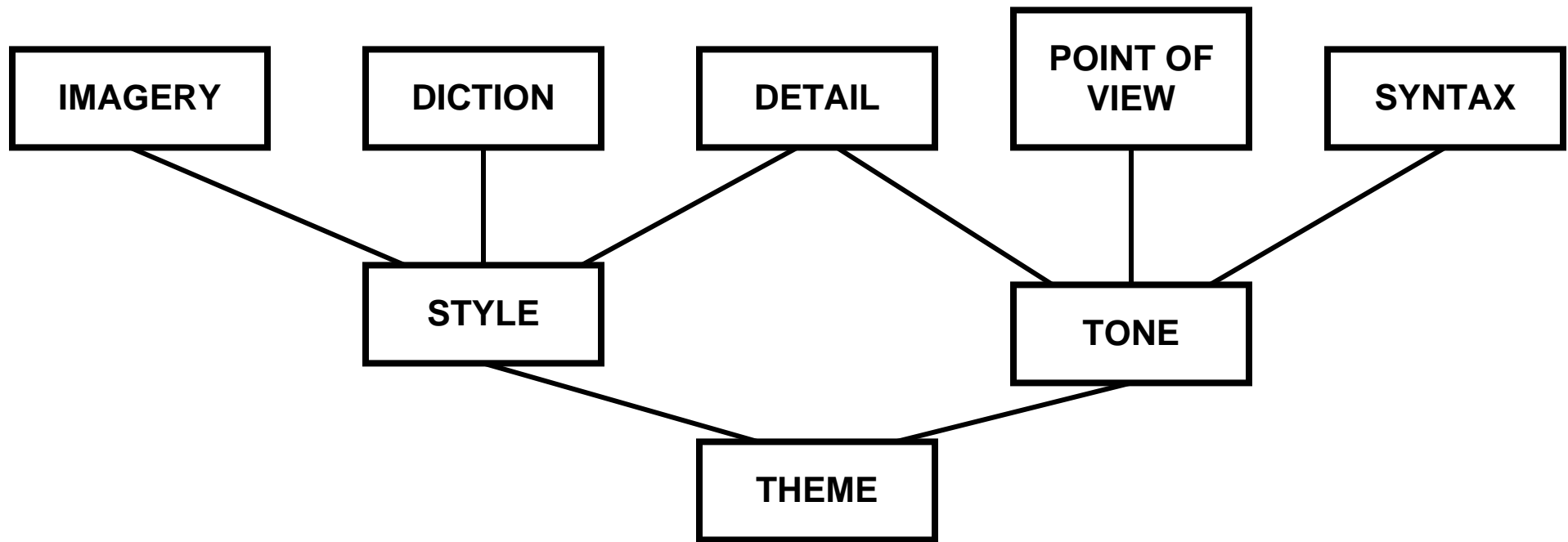


BASIC PRE-AP STRUCTURE OF ANALYTICAL THINKING



Activities based on helping students develop close reading skills, including annotation and highlighting, would be appropriate, as would lessons structured around the analysis of poetry, short fiction, and essays. Using these shorter pieces as models, the students can develop the basic analytical techniques of textual analysis, Pre-AP style. Most important is that the student should

- understand the concept thoroughly,
- practice identifying and interpreting it using different types of genres of texts,
- be conscious at all times of a link to meaning (theme), when identifying and analyzing any literary device or aspect of language.