"On the Rainy River" as a Short Story

Directions: Consider this chapter of the novel as an independent piece of short fiction. Analyze its elements.

- 1. Who is the narrator? Who is the main character? How reliable is the point of view?
- 2. What seem to have been Tim's dominant qualities when he was a young man?
- 3. What thoughts and emotions did the protagonist experience?
- 4. Who are the minor characters in the story? How important are they?
- 5. What is the setting? How important is it to what happens?
- 6. What set the conflict into motion? Where does the story line climax?
- 7. What is the story's theme?