

Story outline

Answering these seven questions will create a story which follows the classic 3-act format.

Part 1	<p>Opening scene – Where are you? What are you doing? <i>Defines the movie's time, place, theme and tone</i></p> <p>Cause incident – What happens? <i>The event that sets the plot in motion</i></p> <p>First turning point – What do you do about it? <i>The event that sets the hero on their journey</i></p>
Part 2	<p>Confrontation and conflict – What stops you? <i>The heroine forges ahead on the mission but faces obstacles</i></p> <p>Defeat – What is the worst outcome? <i>The point at which all hope seems lost</i></p>
Part 3	<p>Second turning point – What is your last chance for success? <i>The life or death event that will test the hero's strength, resolve and moral courage</i></p> <p>Resolution – What is the final outcome? <i>The payoff in which the heroine either triumphs or sacrifices themselves for the greater good</i></p>

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