

Plot Pyramid Structure

Most fictional stories that you read have the same basic structure. The beginning of a story is called the exposition. This is where the characters are introduced, the setting is described, and any background information is revealed. The inciting incident sets the story in motion and makes the rest of the story possible. The rising action moves the plot along as complications arise and conflicts become more intense. When the conflict reaches its most intense part, this is called the climax. During the falling action, the excitement subsides and the story starts to wrap up. At the resolution, remaining questions are answered and conflicts are resolved as the story reaches the end.

