



The Four Story Structures

Directions: Select a **Story Structure** that matches the digital story you will create. When you decide which story structure you will use, copy or download the hyperlinked Planning document for planning and writing your script.

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Educational Narrative ([Educational Narrative Planning Document](#))

- **Factual information** - Research-based information provided in the narrative
- **Explanation** - Additional details about the information is included
- **Supporting evidence with examples** - Specific examples are provided

Fictional Narrative ([Fictional Narrative Planning Document](#))

- **Characters** - Any person, animal, or figure represented in the story.
- **Setting** - Where the story takes place.
- **A sequence of events** - Beginning, middle, and end, which includes the climax or most exciting part, a turning point, and events happening afterward
- **Resolution** - The conclusion of the story by the resolving of conflicts between characters

Human Interest Narrative ([Human Interest Narrative Planning Document](#))

- **Setting** - Describe what life is like now.
- **Problem** - Introduce the problem.
- **What could be** - Show what life could be like.
- **Solution** - Propose a solution.
- **Reward** - Explain how the solution benefits your audience.

Personal Narrative ([Personal Narrative Planning Document](#))

- **Narrator** - This is a personal story about the author
- **Setting** - Where and when does the story take place?
- **Problem** - What obstacle(s) get in the way?
- **Action** - How does he or she try to overcome the problem?
- **Solution** - How was the problem solved?
- **Ending** - What did the character or narrator learn? How did he/she change?