

Story Devices



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techniques that writers use to make a story more interesting and enhance the experience for the reader

Face of the Writer

Tone

In what way does the person speak?

confident
surprised
uncertain
clever
optimistic
suspicious
light-hearted
enthusiastic
scary
silly

VS

Face of the Reader

Mood

What mood is the person in?

content
displeased
embarrassed
thoughtful
grateful
dismal
silly
cheerful
dark
calm

Conflict



It is a struggle between opposing forces or characters.

- Without conflict, a story would be boring.
- A story can have multiple conflicts.
- The main conflict is the central conflict that the story is about.

Types of Conflict

Person vs. Person	Person vs. Nature	Person vs. Society	Person vs. Self
A character is in conflict with another character.	A character is in conflict with a natural force or element.	A character is in conflict with a group of people or a society.	A character is in conflict with themselves.
Example: A hero fights a villain.	Example: A person fights a storm.	Example: A person fights a corrupt government.	Example: A person fights their own fears.