

Parts of a Story: Plot-Introduction

The beginning of the story

Sets up the storyline (plot)

Introduces characters

Reveals the setting

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Tip #1 ***

Nowadays, most readers enjoy jumping right into the action. It's preferred not to spend too many words setting things up. If you're writing a story that does require world-building (fantasy, sci-fi, historical), try starting with an action scene and then weaving the descriptions in afterwards.

Start as far into the story as you can!

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Tip #2

Don't introduce all of your characters at once. It is overwhelming (which might be your intention, to overwhelm the MC, but don't overdo it). Make sure to give each character a distinct name, look, and personality, and repeat some descriptive notes throughout the story so readers can get sorted as quickly as possible.