

# THE ART OF Shorts

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## Tip #1 \*\*\*

In my opinion, conflict can make or break a story. Some things just aren't worth fighting over, BUT a talented author can make the most mundane conflict appear sensible and even entertaining (think rom-coms). If the reader is given a stable enough reason for the conflict, they'll stick it out to see how it is resolved.

## Tip #2

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A conflict **MUST** be resolved in a story. Don't leave your readers hanging. If you create a problem for your characters, you must solve it. That being said, sometimes you have to get creative...and you know what? You should get creative in solving problems! Readers enjoy seeing characters solve seemingly hopeless messes with clever, out-of-the-box thinking. Just remember to make it believable!