

Four-Paragraph Story Checklists

Prompt Sheet Introductory Paragraph

- ____ Topic Sentence (grabber)
- ____ Detail Sentences about
characters L ____
F ____
- ____ Detail Sentences about
the setting L ____
F ____
- ____ Detail Sentence about
beginning event(s) L ____
F ____

Prompt Sheet Rising-Action Paragraph

- ____ Transition/Topic Sentence
- ____ Detail Sentences about
Event 1 L ____
F ____
- ____ Detail Sentences about
Event 2 L ____
F ____
- ____ Detail Sentences about
Event 3 L ____
F ____
- ____ Problem introduced
& Suspense built

Prompt Sheet Climax/Falling Action Paragraph

- ____ Climax/Transition Sentence
introduces crisis
- ____ Detail Sentence about
crisis F ____
- ____ Detail Sentences about
decision L ____
F ____
- ____ Detail Sentences about
action(s) L ____
F ____
- ____ Detail Sentences about
action(s) L ____
F ____

Prompt Sheet Concluding Paragraph

- ____ Concluding Transition
Sentence
- ____ Detail Sentences about
Ending Event 1 L ____
F ____
- ____ Detail Sentences about
Ending Event 2 L ____
F ____
- ____ Clincher Sentence
- ____ Message mentioned

