

Contents List for Stories Based on Research

**(These stories can be either about real or imagined events,
but they must be based on your research.)**

Title

Introductory Paragraph

Topic Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)

(Names the topic, grabs the reader)

Setting Sentences

(Descriptive sentences about the setting)

Character Sentences

(Descriptive sentences about the character(s))

Beginning Event Sentence or Thesis Statement (Specific Topic Sentence)

(Topic, Character, event, graceful lead in)

Rising-Action Paragraph

Topic/Transition Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)

**(Transition, Topic, Character, Introduce the event(s)
related to the problem and building suspense)**

Lead-off Sentences

(Transition, introduce a new event that builds suspense)

Follow-up Sentences

**(Provide more info about the new event. The info should be
based on research.)**

Climax Paragraph

Topic/Transition Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)

**(Transition, Topic, Character, Introduce events related to
the climax)**

Lead-off Sentences

**(Transition, introduce a new event related to the crisis,
decision, or initial action)**

Follow-up Sentences

**(Provide more info about the new event. The info should be
based on research.)**

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Falling-Action Paragraph

Topic/Transition Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)

(Transition, Topic, Character, Introduce events related to the problem-solving actions)

Lead-off Sentences

(Transition, introduce a new problem-solving action)

Follow-up Sentences

(Provide more info about the new problem-solving action based on research)

Concluding Paragraph

Concluding/Transition Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)

(Concluding Transition, Topic, Character, Event related to the ending)

Detail Sentences

(Describe events related to the ending)

Clincher Sentence

(Topic, the main message)