

# Creative Writing: Create a Character

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## WRITING:

1) For ONE of the topics below, think of an **ENDING** that meets these criteria:

- Effective endings show (or suggest) the result of the story's conflict
- Effective endings come from the main character's actions.
- Satisfying endings use elements from the story's beginning and middle.

## TOPICS:

1. Your character is walking down the street when a dog approaches. He or she quickly realizes that the dog has been abandoned, so the character takes the animal home...
  2. Your character finds a magical, talking animal that reveals a terrible secret...
  3. Your character's pet dinosaur suddenly shrinks. But why? The mystery must be solved!
  4. Your character writes a love poem about their secret crush, only to lose it in the hallway at ACTS...
  5. Your character is walking along the beach when he or she discovers a hidden pathway...
  6. Your character comes home from ACTS only to find that her room is a completely different color and all of the furniture is new. She has no idea what happened, but it could only mean one thing...
  7. Your character goes on a trip to a museum, when suddenly one exhibit comes to life.
- 2) Complete a story structure on the next page to plan a story that leads toward that ending.

**3) Write the story (two or more complete pages, double spaced)!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

5. Climax:

4. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

7. Resolution \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Exposition \_\_\_\_\_

# Story Structure!

## 1. Exposition:

Conflict for Protagonist:

When:

Where:

Plot Diagram for \_\_\_\_\_

*(name of story)*

INSTRUCTIONS: Decide where the climax point is in this story and fill it in as number 5. Then, fill in the other events (1–4 and 6–7) around the climax point.

7. Resolution: