

Writing a Narrative

Purpose: to entertain

Examples: Story (fiction), personal narrative (fiction or nonfiction), Fable, Myth, Poem, Play, Biography

Prompt cue words:

- **Tell** about a time when...
- Write a story...
- **Write** a poem...

Key Features:

- Strong story line
- Contain setting, characters, plot, events, and a resolution
- Descriptive language
- Organization supports plot development
- Strong voice

Framework for writing Narrative

1. Orientation
 - Who, when, where
2. Events that lead to a complication or problem
 - Sequence of important events
 - Details that enhance story development
3. Complication or problem
 - Real-life complication or problems for main characters
 - Other minor complications or problems
4. Resolution
 - Complication or problem solved in a satisfactory way