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## ➢ Narrative Structure - Prewriting

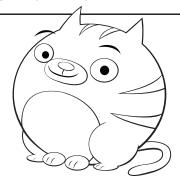


Go through this outline of a narrative essay and jot down ideas for each section. If you have a story topic, use your topic to fill in the bullet points. This will help you get started by fleshing out your key ideas.

**Part 1:** Introduce the Story This usually includes:

## Sample Answers

- 1. Setting
- 2. Main Characters/People
- 3. Theme/Central Idea



List some different options for a central idea

- Importance of friendship
- · Learning a lesson from a mistake
- Don't judge others
- · Treat others how you want to be treated
- Something you thought was a bad thing turns out to be good

## Part 2: Body

Write the story, slowing down at the juicy parts to explode the moment. Use imagery and "inside and outside details." Inside details are thoughts and feelings that characters have and outside details are descriptions of what is happening.

What are some examples of inside details that a character might have?

- hurt
- fear
- worry
- joy

## Part 3: Wrap it up

Touch back on the theme of the story and give the reader something to connect with or think about.