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Of course stories have a beginning, a middle, and an end. Good writers also know how to slow down the action at just the right times to build suspense and pull the reader into the moment. Some call this "Exploding the Moment."

- 1. Write your story topic in the center of the organizer below.
- 2. Decide on three or four moments to slow down the action of your story to include imagery, or descriptions that engage the five senses. Write these moments in the outer bubbles.
- 3. Generate ideas for details to include that will slow down the action and pull the reader in. Create more bubbles off of the moments to record them.

