

## What is the difference between story and plot?

When buying a new novel, the summary in the back is the story and the whole content of the novel itself is the plot.

“‘The king died and then the queen died’ is a story. ‘The king died, and then the queen died of grief’ is a plot.”

# STORY

A narrative of events  
arranged  
in their time sequence

# STORY EMOTIONAL VALUE

CHARACTERS

EMOTIONAL  
JOURNEY

MEANING

# PLOT

A narrative of events  
THE EMPHASIS  
ON CAUSALITY

# PLOT

THE ACTION

HOW

PHYSICAL  
JOURNEY

EVENTS

# PLOT

## STRUCTURE

Exposition    Inciting    Rising    Climax    Etc.  
                  Incident    Action                            etc.

## **Techniques used in creative writing include:**

Character development

Plot development

Vivid setting

Underlying theme

Point of view

Dialogue

Anecdotes

Metaphors and similes

Figures of speech

Imaginative language

Emotional appeal

Heavy description