

# Conflict

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# Note on Conflict

- Conflict is the struggle between the protagonist and an opposing force. There are several types of conflict.

# Internal Conflict

- Person vs. Self:

- the protagonist struggles with a conflict within him or herself.
- The protagonist is pulled by two courses of action or by differing emotions.

*This is often considered a characteristic of fine literature because it frequently leads to a dynamic change in the protagonist.*

# Interpersonal conflict

- **Person vs. Person**: A struggle between the protagonist and another character.
- **Person vs. Society**: the protagonist is in conflict with the values of his or her society.
- **Person vs. Nature**: Takes place when the protagonist is threatened by an element of nature.

# Conflict continued...

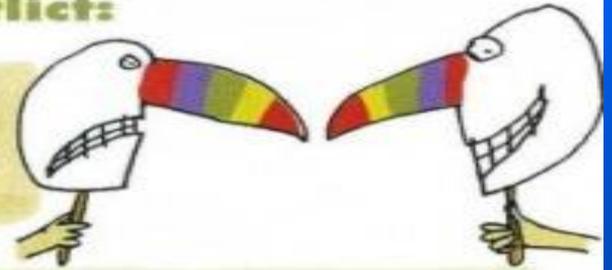
- Several minor conflicts may be present in any one story, but usually one predominant, or central, conflict drives the plot of a story.

# Good To Know

- Several types of minor conflicts may be present in any one story, but usually one predominant conflict occurs throughout the story
- Conflict can also be thematic
  - Good vs. Evil
  - Young vs. Old

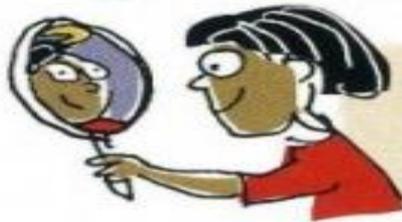
## There are five main types of conflict:

**person vs. person**  
(problem with another character)



**person vs. society**  
(problem with the laws or beliefs of a group)

**person vs. nature**  
(problem with force of nature, such as a blizzard or high winds)



**person vs. self**  
(problem with deciding what to do or think)

**person vs. fate**  
(problem that seems to be uncontrollable)



That struggle between opposing forces builds until it reaches a crisis or a turning point. That moment is the climax.

# Name that Conflict



**Person vs. Self**

# Name that Conflict

Think About Shrek's Central Conflict



**Person vs. Society**

# Name that Conflict



**Person vs. Nature**

# Name that Conflict



**Person vs.  
Person**