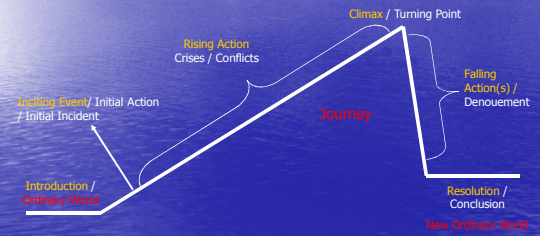


Terms to Know

- Narrative: A Story
- Plot: The storyline
- Plot Graph: The elements of the story are plotted on a line graph

Elements of a Plot Line Diagram



Introduction



- **Characters are introduced.**
 - Some character traits of some characters may be revealed.
 - Initial relationships between characters may be established.
- **Setting is introduced** – Where? When?
- **Theme** –
 - Start to look for some hints (what is this called?) about the possible theme(s) of the story.

Introduction cont...



- **Point of View is established.**
 - Who is telling the story?
 - From whose eyes do we look through?
- **The ordinary world is established.**
 - Initial circumstances of the character's everyday world needs to be understood before they enter into any conflicts (special world).

Inciting Event/ Initial Action or Incident



- **The character's ordinary world is altered.**
 - The character is catapulted out of their everyday world. Sometimes this is not by choice.
- This is the **introduction to the central conflict.**



Rising Action

- **The main character(s) embark upon a course of action which may include advances and/or setbacks**
- **Minor conflicts connected to the central conflict occur to increase tension toward the climax.**
- **Intense conflict situations may occur.**
 - These are false climaxes or crises. Note this is not the turning point yet



Climax / Turning Point

- This is the turning point in the story!
- This is often the highest point of interest in the story.
- Key point – there are no more struggles for the character after this point. They are “turning” toward the resolution.



Falling Action

- Events that happen in between the climax and the end.
 - Note, sometimes there are no falling actions in a story.
- The falling action is where the conflict is gradually being resolved.

Resolution

- The conclusion to the story.
- The conflict is resolved.
- The character is changed from before the actions began.



Terms To Know

- Fiction: Fake – not a true story
- Non-fiction: Not Fake – a true story
- Narratives may be fiction and/or non-fiction.