

FAIRY TALE > WORKSHEET

This is a worksheet overview for the fairytale tool. The aim here is to explain our story so clearly that a child will understand it. Be mindful of seeing through a child's eyes/ears as you tell your story. For example, a child doesn't grasp a heavy backstory, specific characters' names, and so on - i.e., Instead of using a character name, say "an old person," a "young person," etc., to allow the reader to imagine the story quickly.

Another example: (normal synopsis): "Adam was stuck in a dead-end job but really wanted to spend his time writing poems."

(fairy tale): Once upon a time, a young man was working in a boring grey building. Even though his job was boring and grey like the building he worked in, he dreamt of writing about the colors inside his heart.

1. Start with "Once upon a time..."
2. Introduce Main Character
3. Introduce normal life
4. "Then one day..."
5. Reverse 'normal life'
6. Introduce 'threat' / 'danger'
7. Put 'Main Character' in danger
8. Believe that 'Main Character' doesn't have a chance against 'threat' / 'danger.'
9. Resolve 'threat' / 'danger' with 'Main Character' finding solution