

Opening

Set the scene, catch the reader's interest. Introduce the main character(s), describe the setting, or tell an interesting event.

Build-up

Introduce a storyline for the main character(s). Drop some clues as to what might happen later, but don't rush into the dilemma!

Dilemma

Introduce the main problem where things go wrong, involving the main character(s) and need to be fixed.

**Ending** 

Now that the dilemma is solved, what have the characters learned? What is life like now, and what about the future?