

Appendix 18.2. Storytelling Narrative

STEP 1: DEFINE ELEMENTS OF PLOT

PLOT ELEMENTS	DEFINITIONS
exposition	
rising action	
climax	
falling action	
denouement	

STEP 2: MATCH DOCUMENTARIES WITH PLOT DIAGRAM

PLOT ELEMENTS	SCENES FROM DOCUMENTARY FILM #1
exposition	
rising action	
climax	
falling action	
denouement	

PLOT ELEMENTS	SCENES FROM DOCUMENTARY FILM #2
exposition	
rising action	
climax	
falling action	
denouement	

STEP 3: CONNECTING PLOT ELEMENTS TO YOUR DOCUMENTARY

PLOT ELEMENTS	HOW WILL YOUR DOCUMENTARY FULFILL THE PLOT ELEMENTS?
exposition	
rising action	
climax	
falling action	
denouement	

Some questions to consider:

- How does your team plan to tell the story? What should come first?
- What is the climax of your story? Why is that the climax? Can there be more than one?
- How will you introduce the characters of your documentary? Why in that order?
- What type of resolution will your documentary have? Is that resolution appropriate to the story being told?

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