Before you begin planning, read the prompt carefully and identify the subject (what), the audience (who), and purpose (what) of your story.

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| **Narrative/Story Structure** | **Examples** |  **Your Narrative/ Story details** |
| **Introduction (Exposition)**1 Begin with describing the setting.2 Introduce and describe your main character.3 Introduce the main event or series of events. What it the story about? | (1) It was a dark morning, rain was coming. (2) Barry hated rainy days. He was an active 10-year-old who liked to be outside. (3) This was the day of the big ball game and he was supposed to pitch.  |  |
|  **First Event (Rising Action)*** What happens first in your story?
* Who is involved?
* Where does it happen?
 | Barry jumped out of bed and quickly got dressed. His uniform was where he had left it the night before. He buttoned up and looked at himself. He was ready! |  |
| **Next Event (Rising Action)*** What happens next?
* Who is involved?
* Where does it happen?
 | After eating breakfast, he climbed into the car and headed to the ball field with his mom.  |  |
| **Next Event (Rising Action)*** What happens next?
* Who is involved?
* Where does it happen?
 | As soon as he reached the ballpark, he knew something was wrong. His teammates were all sitting on the bench. |  |
| **Next Event (Climax/Turning point)** * What happens next?
* Who is involved?
* Where does it happen?
 | As Barry got closer to the bench, he heard Coach Bob yell out, “No game today! It’s going to rain, so we should all just go home.”  |  |
|  **Final Event (Resolution)*** How does your story end?
 | Barry was very disappointed, got back in the car and headed home. |  |