Plot

The sequence or order of events in a story; what happens
A plot must make sense!

If it doesn’t, you will lose your audience.
CONFLICT

The main problem in a story.
What is a story like if there are no problems?

BORING!!!!!
TYPES OF CONFLICT

External Conflicts

Character v. Character
Character v. Nature
Character v. Society
Character v. Supernatural/Technology

Internal Conflict

Character v. Self
QUESTION

Have you ever started watching a tv show or movie in the middle?

Was it hard to follow what was going on?

Why?
The characters, time, place, and other background information that provides the context for the play.
1 = Exposition
2 = Inciting Incident
INCITING INCIDENT

The event that starts the characters on their journey.
INCITING INCIDENT

Harry Potter?
Hatchet?
Hunger Games?
3 = Rising Action
A series of complications or new twists the characters must overcome on the way to the climax.

The longest part of a story.
New problems or plot twists the characters must overcome.

Part of the rising action.
4 = Climax
The point of highest suspense or tension in the plot; a major turning point in the plot.

The conflict is won or lost.
5 = Falling Action
Whatever happens after the climax.

Do all questions have to be answered?
6 = Resolution/Ending
The conclusion, the tying together of all of the threads.
7 = Button
A feeling of satisfaction at the end of a story.

Part of the resolution/ending.

Don’t just end your story. Finish it!