

What is the shape of our story?

Plot Point
1. Storm interrupts writer
2. Storm wreaks havoc
3. Devastation
4. A flurry of books
5. Feeling at home
6. Repairing and restoring
7. Healing the community
8. Morris' work is done

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What is the grammar and language of our story?

Adverbial phrase	A phrase that acts like an adverb. Time ( <i>last Wednesday</i> ), reason ( <i>because of</i> ), manner ( <i>with a dazed expression</i> ), place ( <i>through the woods</i> ).
Subordinate clause	A clause that doesn't make sense on its own but can be attached to a main clause. <i>Although he was unsure, Morris stepped into the building.</i> <i>Flying through the air, Morris wasn't sure he'd come out of this alive!</i>
Verb	A doing ( <i>run, sing</i> ) or being ( <i>are, was</i> ) word. All sentences must contain a verb to make sense. Verbs show us the tense of a sentence.
Personification	When you give an animal or object qualities or abilities that only a human can have. <i>Lightning danced across the sky; The wind howled in the night.</i>
Simile	A figurative language technique comparing something to something else: <i>The books flew like graceful doves.</i>
Synonym	A word that is similar in meaning to another word <i>Fly:soar                    happy:elated                    wood:forest</i>
Onomatopoeia	Words that sound like the sound they describe: <i>Boom, crash</i>
Parenthesis	The use of brackets, commas and dashes to separate useful information that's not part of the main sentence. You can use this with subordinate clauses (see above) or phrases. <i>Morris Lessmore, a bookish man who liked the quieter things in life, had his world turned upside down one ordinary October Tuesday.</i> <i>Morris Lessmore (a bookish man who liked the quieter things in life) had his world turned upside down one ordinary October Tuesday.</i> <i>Morris Lessmore - a bookish man who liked the quieter things in life - had his world turned upside down one ordinary October Tuesday.</i>
Brackets	A form of punctuation used for parenthesis (see above)
Dashes	A punctuation mark, often used in less formal writing, to separate clauses, phrases or information. <i>The books took him into the air-his work here was done.</i> <i>Can also be used for parenthesis (see above).</i>

