

# NARRATIVE TEXT

## What is Narrative Writing?

Writing that tells a story is known as **narrative writing**. A narrative that tells a story based on **imagined events** is known as a **fictional narrative**.

## Elements

The characters, setting, and plot make up the **elements** of a story.

**Characters**-the **people** involved in the plot of a narrative

**Setting**-the **time and place** of a narrative

**Plot**-the **series of events** in a narrative

## Techniques

- **Foreshadowing** is a writing technique that uses hints suggesting events that will happen later in the story.
- **Flashback** is a writing technique that interrupts the events of the story to tell the reader about events that happened in the past.
- When characters speak in fictional narratives, it is called **dialogue**.
- When a story's ending is unexpected, it is known as a **surprise ending**.



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## Try This!

1] Could anyone even guess that 13-year old Robert would record his own CD at age 18?

This sentence is an example of **foreshadowing**.

- a] true
- b] false

2] This sentence is an example of **flashback**.

It had all begun when Nadia, now a teenager, had started her first day of Kindergarten.

- a] true
- b] false

3] Choose the **character** in this scenario:

An Iroquois girl saves a wolf cub from drowning. The cub had fallen through the ice on the shore of Lake Ontario in the year 1483.

- a] An Iroquois girl
- b] the ice
- c] the shore
- d] Lake Ontario



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