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Want to take your writing to the next level? Discover the “secrets” of story structure other authors are overlooking!

If you’ve read all the books on story structure and concluded there has to be more to it than just three acts and a couple of plot points, then you’re absolutely right! It’s time to notch up your writing education from “basic” to “black belt.” Internationally published author K.M. Weiland shares five “secret” techniques of advanced story structure.

In the multi-award-winning *Structuring Your Novel*, Weiland showed writers how to use a strong three-act structure to build a story with the greatest possible impact on readers. Now it’s time to take that knowledge to the next level.

In this supplemental book, you’ll learn:

- Why the Inciting Event isn’t what you’ve always thought it is
- What your Key Event is and how to stop putting it in the wrong scene
- How to identify your Pinch Points—and why they can make the middle of your book easier to write
- How to create the perfect Moment of Truth to move your protagonist from reaction to action
- How to ace your story’s Climactic Moment every single time
- And much more!

By the time you’ve finished this quick read, you’ll know more about story structure than the vast majority of aspiring authors will ever know—and you’ll be ready to write an amazing novel that stands above the crowd.

Take the next step in your evolution as a writer!

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Faith says

Introduction:

Structured story plots have been a problem for me in the past, but I never knew what to do about it, so I just kept plugging along. Then I came across this book and will not have that problem any more.

Clarity: 1/1

K.M. Weiland always does a great job explaining things clearly and concisely. This book is no exception.

Usability: 1/1

I've already started using it. I started using the tips the day I started reading it, actually. I had just started outlining a new book and this book helped me outline it in a way that followed the proper story structure. Now I'm even more excited than before to start writing!

Readability: 1/1

K.M. Weiland started out with a summary of each point in the story structure and then had a few chapters that had more detail about each act. This made the book very readable as terms were explained first and then described later.

Overall writing quality: 1/1

The writing quality was great! I didn't find any typos and each word was obviously chosen with care.

Un-put-down-ability: 1/1

After reading half of the first chapter, I ended up setting the book aside for about a week due to busyness and illness, but when I picked it up again, I couldn't put it down.

Conclusion: 5/5

Even if you think you know how to structure your story, I think this is a must-read for every writer. It's short, easy to read, and you might just pick up a tip or two or ten. What's a little over an hour out of your day if it helps make you a better writer?

Luka Onee-san says

I must admit - it was hard reading this book. Not because it is written in some weird manner but because I visualized my own book. My own book got in the way of reading this book. I got few ideas on how to end the book, how to finish forming my antagonists, where to place my main characters, what conflict and who will have. My entire book, that is just taking shape, flew before my eyes while I was reading. So thank you K.M. Weiland. Your book was a great help.

Josie says

This is essentially a simpler version of Structuring Your Novel, with a focus on the places we most get wrong in story structure. It was a good reminder and helped me realize some new things on structure I hadn't noticed before. :)

You can download this book free on Katie's website, helpingwritersbecomeauthors.com.

Kellyn Roth says

This book really transformed the way I look at writing, plots, outlining, and a bunch of other things. Definitely on the 'life-changing' book list for me. It was also pretty entertaining, which is something one can't say for many how-to books of any kind. ;)

~Kellyn Roth, Reveries Reviews

Ivie says

This book, which is free on kindle, is pretty awesome. Its helped me a little with writing and she mentions How To Train Your Dragon, so that's a win-win. Definitely worth the read. I hope to read more writing books from the author in the future. Her website is also really helpful.

Kristen Kieffer says

K.M. Weiland does a fantastic job of breaking down the basics of story structure in this helpful guide. I'd recommend it to any writer looking to improve the quality of their storytelling skills.

Bill Tillman says

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Gulp, with doing a review of this book I am faced with a moment of truth. Please indulge me for a bit here. For ten years I have struggled with being a panther. The has meant that even after reading many, no most of Weiland's books I was still a pantster at heart.

This little gem has opened a whole new world to me. Plot Points, Pinch Points, Three Acts, Climax and many more buzz words must make up the author's arsenal of writing tools. This is a book that should become dog eared if you aspire to become a writer or story teller.

Rebekah says

Oh, this book was SO HELPFUL. I've said that about a million times while reading it (like this: "Oh...oh...this is so helpful!" *pause while I continue reading* "Oh my goodness, I was wondering about that! So helpful!" *pause* "I never...wow. This is amazingly helpful!" Etc.) the Thesaurus ran out of other

words to describe its helpfulness about halfway through reading it. :)

Also, though I've said this about as much as it being helpful, I really wish I got my hands on it sooner in my writing career. (Doesn't THAT make me sound oh-so-professional. XD)

As a serious panster, I rarely outline my books. Which can be a problem when I reach the tenth chapter and have no idea where I was going with my story originally. This book really helped me realize the importance of giving my stories a backbone. *whispers* and besides, it's a free ebook on Amazon!

So, I highly, HIGHLY recommend it to all my writing friends. :)

Audrey Caylin says

Incredibly helpful! Would highly recommend.

Faith says

Very helpful!! I'll definitely be checking back to things at times. :)

Prakash Sharma says

Great tips on story plotting.

This is a short read of around 60 pages but very helpful book because it addressed technical issues in story writing. I think I must practice these techniques in writing my first novel.

Bethany says

Very helpful for developing a good structure in your writings. Well-written and easy to understand.

JonathanT says

Great tips but not particularly mind-blowing. I think this would definitely be better for people who are in the planning stage, not people who are in the drafting stage WITH NANO APPROACHING. XD But hey, it was free on the Kindle so :D

Kate Willis says

Story plotting is my weak area, but I've always found the whole topic daunting. No longer!

Three Reasons Every Author Should Sleep with This Book Under Their Pillow:

1. It's short! I read it in under an hour, but it's jam-packed with a ton of good stuff!
2. It's extremely clear! The whole book was one big lightbulb moment, especially because of the examples from film and literature.
3. You'll feel like Superman! There is security in knowing that I now know how to write a good story and maybe, just maybe, I can accomplish that now. ;)

Altogether, I loved it and highly recommend it to everyone no matter their level of writing experience!

Olivia says

Wow. This was great. Really gets you thinking about the structure of your story! I'll definitely read this again in the future to remind me of the different points in writing a story. Structure makes a huge difference!
