

Analyzing Effectiveness of Structure in Fiction: Chronological Structure

Name of Story: _____

Identify the three main parts of the story. Then answer the questions.

How does the story **begin**?

What happens in the **middle** of the story?

How does the story **end**?

Why do you think the author chose to tell this story in a straightforward, chronological manner?

Try to imagine this story with a different structure. How would your experience of the story be different if it were structured in a different way? For example, if the story started in the middle action of the story, and the beginning was filled in using a series of flashbacks. Would that make the story more interesting or suspenseful? Why or why not?