

## SUMMARIZING THE BOOK YOU WROTE

Note: If you need help using this worksheet, check out

<http://letthewordsflow.wordpress.com/2010/11/24/how-to-write-a-1-page-synopsis/> for a full explanation.

### 1. Opening image

An image/setting/concept that sets the stage for the story to come.

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### 2. Protagonist Intro

Who is the main character? Give 1-2 descriptive words and say what he/she wants.

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### 3. Inciting incident

What event/decision/change prompts the main character to take initial action.

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### 4. Plot point 1

What is the first turning point? What action does the MC take or what decision

does he/she make that changes the book's direction? Once he/she crossed this line, there's no going back.

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**5. Allies, enemies, and tests**

Now in a new life, the MC meets new people, experiences a new life, and meets the antagonist/villain.

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**6. Midpoint**

What is the middle turning point? What happens that causes the MC to make a 360 degree change in direction/change in emotion/change in anything? Again, once he/she has crossed this line, there's no going back.

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**7. Winning seems imminent, but...**

What happens that makes the MC think he/she will win? She seems to have the upper hand, but then oh no! The antagonist defeats her and rushes off more powerful than ever before.

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**8. Black moment**

The MC is lower than low, and he/she must fight through the blackness of his/her emotions to find the strength for the final battle. What happens here?

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**9. Climax**

What happens in the final blow-out between the MC and the antagonist?

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**10. Resolution**

Does everyone live happily ever after? Yes? No? What happens to tie up all the loose ends?

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**11. Final image**

What is the final image you want to leave your reader with? Has the MC succumbed to his/her own demons or has he/she built a new life?

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