

## Lesson 14 Tell Me a Story

Do you like stories about dragons? Maybe you prefer stories with animals that talk. Or, maybe your favorite characters are from the planet Jupiter. Stories like these are called **fantasy**. Their characters could not be real or the events could not actually happen.



List some stories or books you have read that are fantasies:

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What kind of fantasy would you like to write? Will you set it in a city in space or under the ocean? Maybe your main character has a special power of some sort. Let your imagination go and write down story ideas here.

Fantasy idea #1

Character(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Plot: \_\_\_\_\_

Fantasy idea #2

Character(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Plot: \_\_\_\_\_

### On Your Own

Write your own fantasy story. Make a time line for your story on paper, and then type a draft on the computer. Revise and edit your story. With an adult's permission, post it on a good Web site for children's writing, but do not include your name.

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Stories that include normal people who live on Earth are called **realistic**. Though their characters come from a writer's imagination, they could be real, and the events could actually happen.



List some stories or books you have read that are realistic:

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What kind of realistic story would you like to write? Will it be about something funny that happens to an ordinary kid or a lost dog trying to find its way home? Realistic stories require just as much imagination as fantasies do. Jot down some realistic story ideas here.

Realistic idea #1

Character(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Plot: \_\_\_\_\_

Realistic idea #2

Character(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Setting: \_\_\_\_\_

Plot: \_\_\_\_\_

### On Your Own

Write your own realistic story. Make a time line for your story on paper, and then type a draft on the computer. Revise and edit your story. With an adult's permission, post it on a good Web site for children's writing, but do not include your name.