

**Lesson 15** Imagine a Setting

You are writing a great story. Where does the action take place? Is it in a mad scientist's laboratory? In a desert? In a space-age classroom? Where the story happens is part of the setting.

First, write down as many ideas for story settings as you can think of. Even if an idea doesn't seem really interesting, list it here anyway. You might end up combining ideas.

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

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Now, think about when your great story will take place: in the past, in the present, or in the future. Time is also part of the setting. Imagine each place you listed above in the past, present, and future. Write your favorite idea below.

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

What is there to see? What sounds and smells are there? What textures and tastes?

Sights: \_\_\_\_\_

Sounds: \_\_\_\_\_

Smells: \_\_\_\_\_

Textures: \_\_\_\_\_

Tastes: \_\_\_\_\_

Review the details you have recorded. Can you really imagine the place?