



20-Sentence Plot-Rollercoaster Writing Challenge: Winter Edition + Power Verbs

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The Setup (Introduce the character + setting)

Sentence 1: Begin by establishing your main character in a clear winter setting.

Sentence 2: Describe what your character is doing when the scene begins (use a strong action verb like trudged, scanned, darted).

Sentence 3: Hint at something unusual, mysterious, or exciting about to happen.

Sentence 4: Introduce a second character who will influence the plot (friend, rival, creature, etc.).

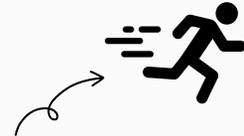
Rising Action (Tension builds)

Sentence 5: Have something unexpected disrupt the calm.

Sentence 6: Make your character react using a vivid verb (e.g., lunged, bolted, braced).

Sentence 7: Have your second character intensify the situation (help, cause chaos, reveal something).

Sentence 8: Let the environment respond in a dramatic way (wind whipping, snow swirling, branches cracking, etc.).



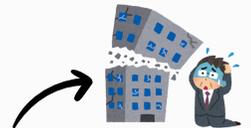
The Climb (Escalation)

Sentence 9: Show your character pushing forward despite obstacles.

Sentence 10: Something gets worse—describe it with a strong verb (e.g., erupted, collapsed, blasted).

Sentence 11: Have the characters strategize or struggle together.

Sentence 12: Add a twist that shifts the story's direction.

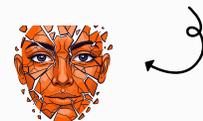


The Peak (Climax)

Sentence 13: Write the moment when everything explodes, crashes, confronts, or collides.

Sentence 14: Show your characters fighting through, defending, rescuing, or unleashing something.

Sentence 15: End the climax with a powerful verb that signals a turning point (e.g., shattered, ignited, transformed).



Falling Action

Sentence 16: Show the characters recovering, regrouping, or stabilizing after the chaos.

Sentence 17: Let something in the environment or situation settle, soften, or fade.

Sentence 18: Have the characters respond emotionally—relief, laughter, reflection, or gratitude.

Resolution

Sentence 19: Resolve the conflict with a final meaningful action.

Sentence 20: End with a sentence that wraps up the story and leaves the reader with a lasting impression.

