

Create Your Own Science Fiction Story

You will shortly be writing the opening to a science fiction novel. To help you create the setting and basic plot for your story, answer the following questions using your imagination and your knowledge of science fiction films and novels. Write your answers on the sheet in the spaces provided.

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1. What date is the action to be set in?

2. Has anything significant happened to the earth in the time between the present and your future time?

3. Where in the world is your story set? Does the place have a different name to its existing one?

4. What is the place like?

i) Set in a city or natural environment?

ii) Type of buildings there? (if applicable)

iii) What condition is the location in- technologically advanced? Derelict etc?

iv) Any recognisable landmarks?

v) What is the climate like?

vi) Any vehicles there? What types?

vii) What kinds of sounds do you hear if you imagine this future world?

viii) What other sensations do you imagine? Eg; scale of the place, light/ darkness, temperature etc.

ix) What do people there look like and how do they dress?

5. Who is your hero? Name/ personal background/ personality?

6. What problem/ situation does he have to face and resolve in the story?

7. Who or what is the source of the problem facing the hero and why?