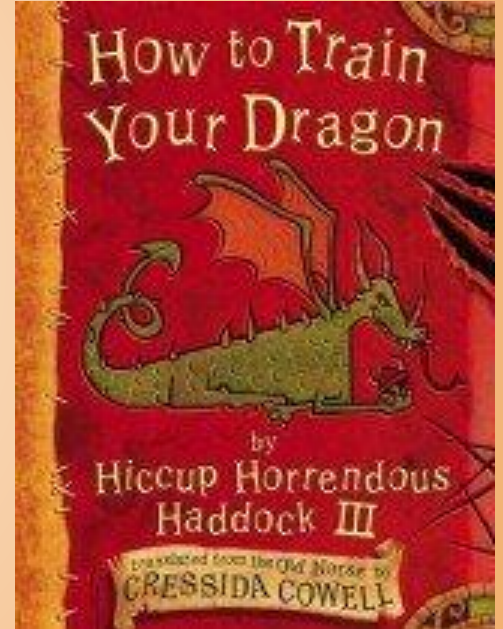

Parts of a Story

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How to Train Your Dragon by Cressida Cowell

What parts make up a story structure?

- Setting
- Theme
- Character
- Conflict
- Plot



Setting

What is the setting? The setting is where the story takes place.

How to Train Your Dragon takes place on the viking island of Berk.



Theme

The theme of a story is the message or subject that is the focal point.

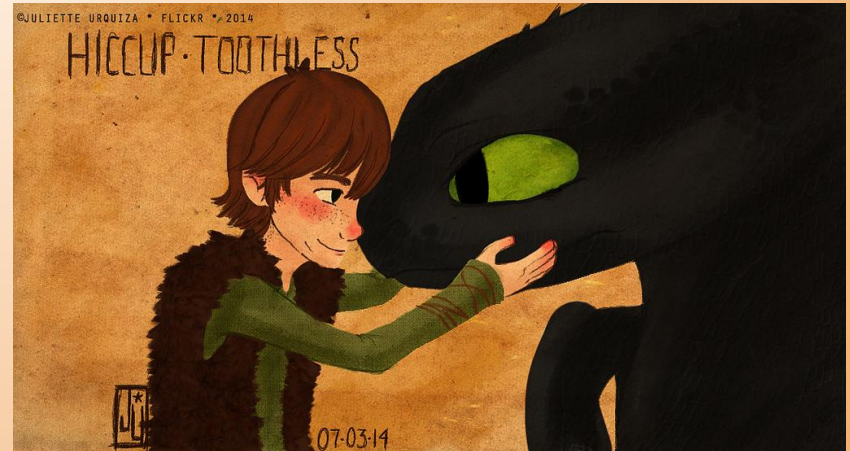
Self-discovery

Self-confidence



Characters

- Hiccup (Horrendous Haddock III)
 - The main character, a young viking who is struggling to pass his initiation for his tribe by training a dragon.
- Toothless
 - Hiccup's dragon, a "common" garden dragon
- Fishlegs
 - Hiccup's best friend, a young viking



Conflict

Hiccup must learn how to properly train his dragon to officially be initiated into his tribe, the Hairy Hooligans. Then a storm threatens the island of Berk, Hiccup and his friends must help save their tribe from sea monsters.



Plot

The plot of the story is that a young viking must capture and train a dragon in order to be accepted by his tribe. If he does not follow through, he will be banished (thrown-out) of the tribe. Once Hiccup and his friend have had enough time to train their dragons, they must demonstrate their training in front of their tribe. However, after the dragons end up in a fight, the boys and their dragons are banished from their tribe. The resulting chaos that follows leads to a change of events that no one could have predicted.