



Plotting the Plot

Objective

The student will identify the components of a plot.

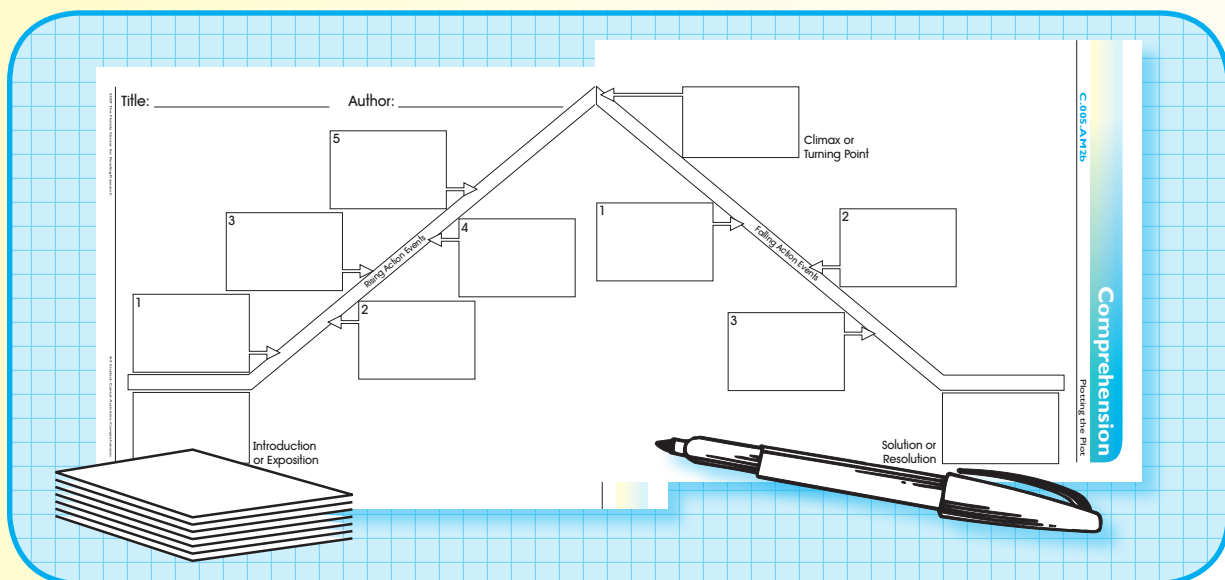
Materials

- ▶ Narrative text
Choose text within students' instructional-independent reading level range.
- ▶ Plot cards (Activity Master C.005.AM1)
Laminate.
- ▶ Plot work board (Activity Master C.005.AM2a - C.005.AM2b)
Copy, align pages, glue sides together, and laminate.
- ▶ Vis-à-Vis® markers

Activity

Students write plot components and place them on the plot structure.

1. Place plot work board on a flat surface. Place the plot cards face down in a stack.
Provide each student with a copy of the text.
2. Students read or review text and discuss it. Write title and author on work board.
3. Taking turns, student one selects the top plot card from the stack, reads designation at the bottom aloud, and writes the corresponding information on the card. Hands card to student two.
4. Student two places the plot card in the appropriate box on the work board.
Explains placement.
5. Continue until all plot cards are placed.
6. Peer evaluation



Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Record answers on student sheet (Activity Master C.005.SS).
- ▶ Write plot components of multiple stories on cards (Activity Master C.005.AM3) and sort using header cards (Activity Master C.005.AM4).

Comprehension

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introduction or exposition	rising action event	rising action event
rising action event	rising action event	rising action event
climax or turning point	falling action event	falling action event
falling action event	solution or resolution	

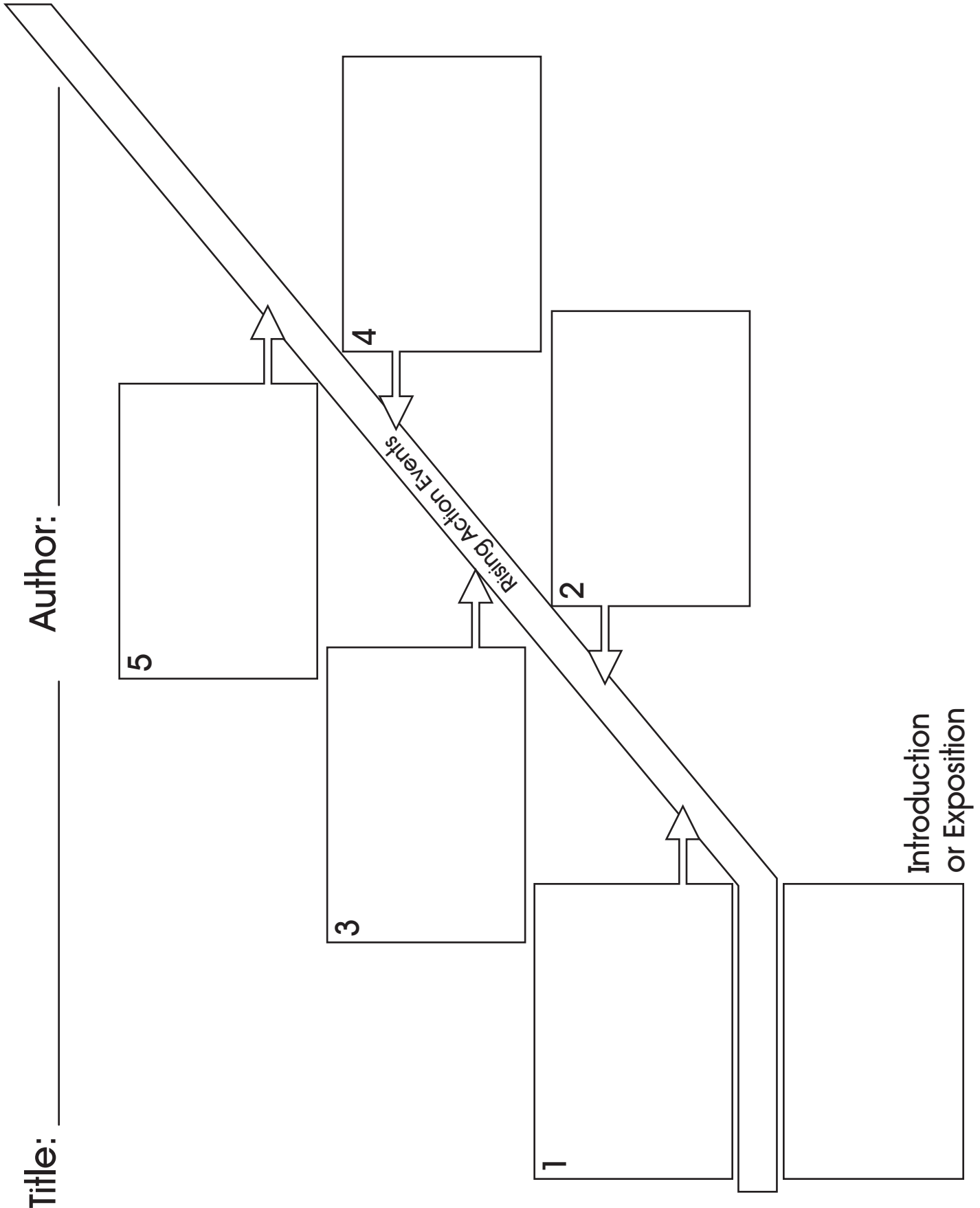


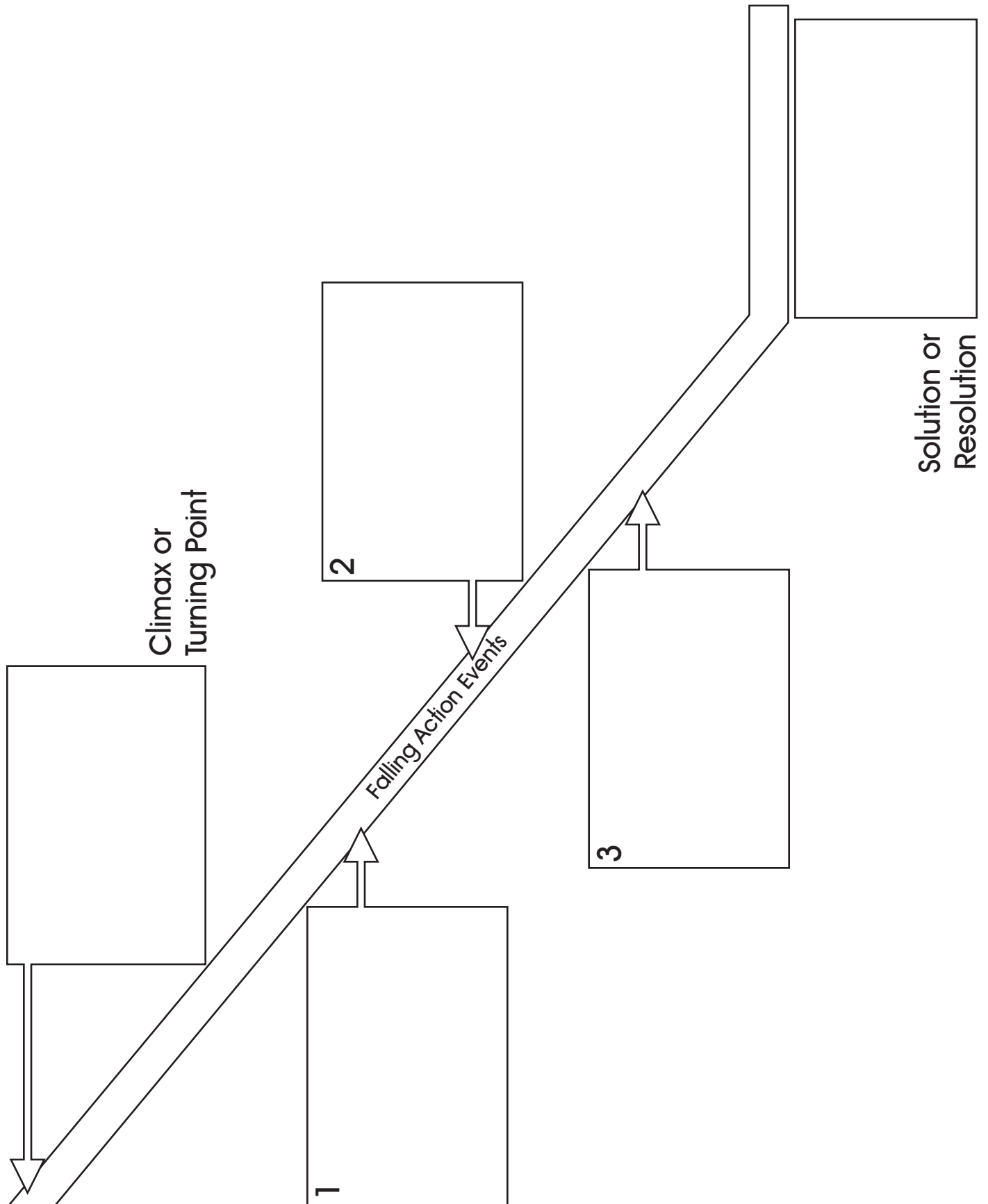
plot cards

Comprehension

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C.005.AM2a





Name _____

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C.005.SS

Author: _____

Title: _____

Climax or Turning Point

1

2

3

Solution or Resolution

Falling Action Events

4

2

Introduction or Exposition

Rising Action Events

5

3

1

Comprehension

C.005.AM3

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blank cards



Name _____

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C.005.AM4

introduction
or
exposition

header

rising action
(multiple events)

header

climax
or
turning point

header

falling action
(multiple events)

header

solution
or
resolution

header

conflict

header

header cards

