



# Narrative Pyramid

**Category:** Just for Fun!

**Series:** Tartan House (Deep Water Hotel)

## Supplies

Paper, pencils, [Narrative Pyramid worksheet from ReadWriteThink.org](http://ReadWriteThink.org)\*

## Prep

Have the students read *Deep Water Hotel*. Print out one Narrative Pyramid worksheet for each student.

## Directions

After students have read *Deep Water Hotel*, have them complete the Narrative Pyramid worksheet. In the first space, the students should write the main character's first name. In the second space, the students should write two words that describe that character. In the third, the students should use three words to describe the setting. In the fourth space, they should use four words to describe the book's main conflict. In the next three spaces, the students should describe three important events in the plot using five, six, and seven words, respectively. In the last space students should use eight words to describe how the book's conflict was resolved.

## Evaluation

Did the student identify and correctly summarize or describe each element? Did they use the correct number of words in each section? Give the students one point for each space they filled out correctly, for a total of eight points. RL 6.2: 6.3

## Purpose

To help students summarize key events in a narrative and understand how they fit together to form the overall structure.

\*The Narrative Pyramid worksheet is from the following source: Ellery, V., & Rosenboom, J.L. (2011). *Sustaining Strategic Readers: Techniques for Supporting Content Literacy in Grades 6-12*. Newark, DE: International Reading Association.