

# Plot Curve

Story / Novel: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

## Rising Action:

What events, problems, and conflicts build suspense or increase complications in the story?

**Climax:** The turning point in the story – the point of greatest conflict and intensity

**Climax** →

## Falling Action:

What events help wrap up the story?

Falling Action →

Rising Action →

Conflict

## Exposition:

Setting:

Situation:

Characters:

**Theme:** The central ideas through the novel; the author's reason for writing or the meaning of the story

## Resolution:

How does the story end? How is the conflict resolved?