Fiction Writing

A simple guide to writing short fiction stories

What is Fiction Writing?

Fiction writing is writing stories that are created from the writer’s imagination. The characters, events, places, and situations can be completely imaginary, although fiction can also be inspired by real life.

How to Write a Short Fiction Story

1. Character	Who is the main character?
2. Setting	Where and when does the story happen?
3. Goal	What does the character want?
4. Conflict	What problem does the character face?
5. Climax	What is the most exciting or important moment?
6. Resolution	How does the story end?

A Simple Formula

Character → Goal → Conflict → Action → Climax → Ending

Famous Fiction

- Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland — Lewis Carroll
- Harry Potter — J. K. Rowling

Famous Short Fiction

- The Tell-Tale Heart — Edgar Allan Poe
- The Gift of the Magi — O. Henry

Tip: A strong short story usually focuses on one main character, one central conflict, and one memorable ending.