

# Conflict

Every story contains conflict. At a minimum, your main character must have a conflict with someone (or something) else. The character must want something, and someone or something is keeping them from getting it.

Often in stories, another character keeps (or tries to keep) the main character from getting what they want:

- Cinderella wants to go to the ball, but her stepmother and step-sisters make her stay home.



- The three little pigs want to build their houses and live in peace, but the wolf keeps blowing them down.
- Peter Rabbit wants to eat food from the garden, but Mr. McGregor keeps chasing him.



Your turn! Write one sentence each about three conflicts (either from stories you've read or you can make them up):

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