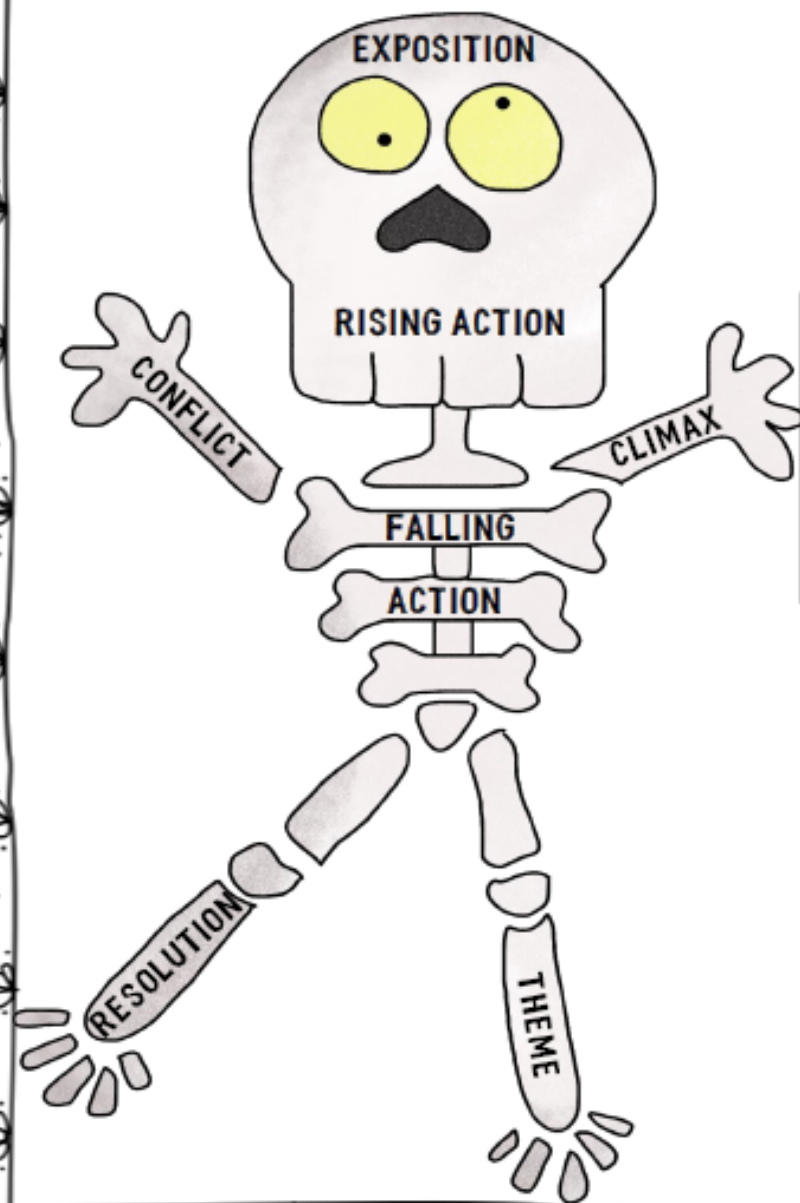


HOW TO WRITE A SCARY STORY: FREE WRITE DIRECTIONS



STEP 1

Read the photo prompt, and think about how you might use that line in a story.

STEP 2

Begin your story by introducing one or two characters in a normal setting. Then disturb the character(s) with a “Something’s or Someone’s Not Quite Right” element.

STEP 3

Next, add an “Uh-Oh” Moment, and let readers know if one or both characters are able to (or fail to) escape a scary situation.

STEP 4

Compose a 12-minute free write in which you incorporate as many scary story elements as possible.