



Milk Crate Theatre Online Program 2020

DEVISING THEATRE – 10

NARRATIVE

CLASS:

What is narrative?

What are the common forms of narrative that we know?

What is the purpose of narrative?

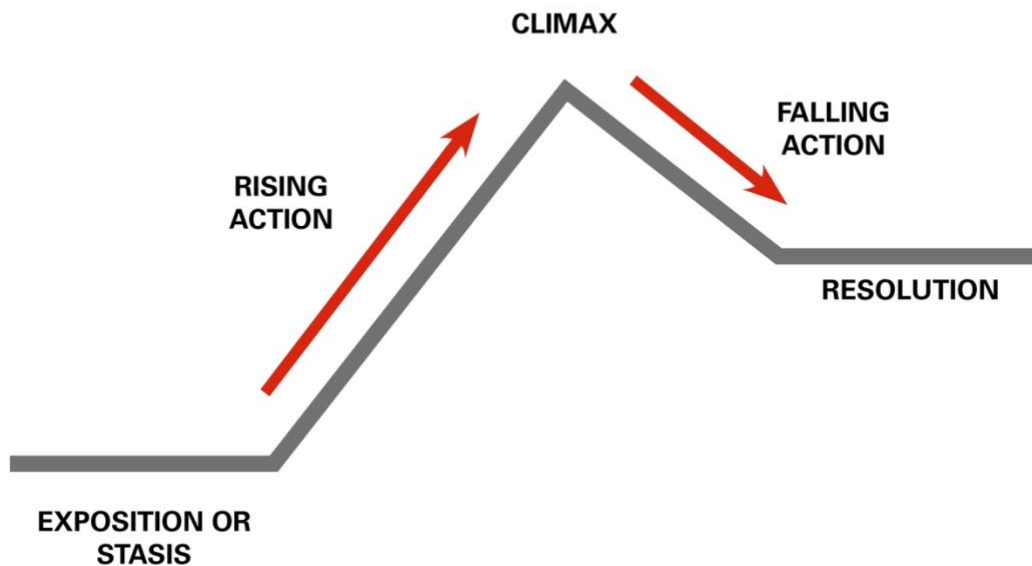
Once we know a narrative arc, how can we mix it up or mess with it? What are some examples of this?

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- Ocean Vuong, Studio Ghibli
- Seinfeld 'Show about nothing'
- Waiting for Godot

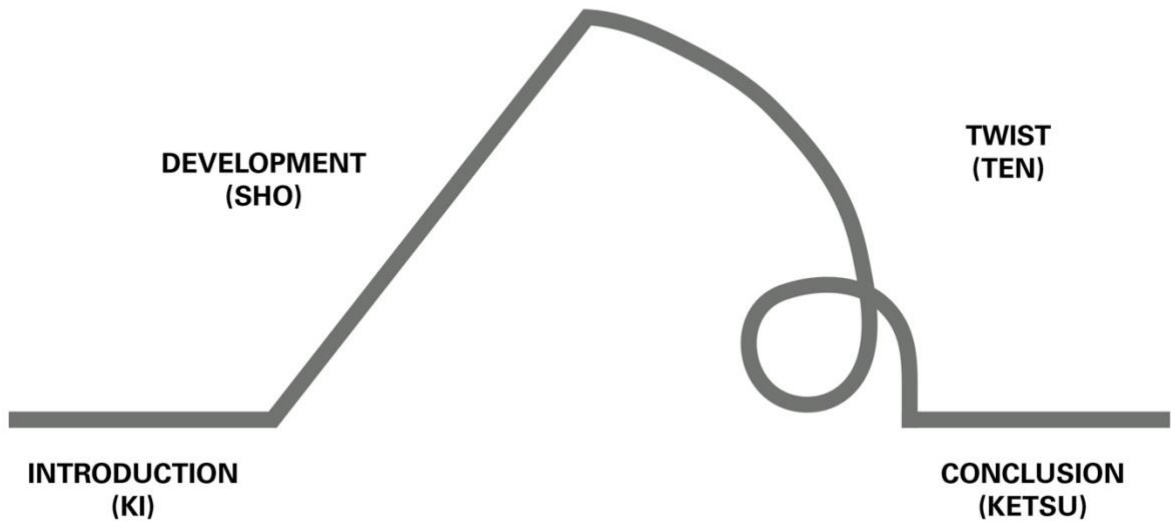
The basic and common / traditional narrative arc:

TRADITIONAL NARRATIVE STRUCTURE



Non-traditional example:
Kishotenketsu

KISHOTENKETSU (Non-Traditional Narrative Structure)



Things to also consider:

- Story narrative vs individual narrative
- Narrative of a scene or moment in time vs full story narrative
- Point of View

TASK:

Write a narrative for your character. This does not have to be too long, or a whole life history!
It can be a list if you like.

Consider the important or landmark moments in your character's life.

See if you can draw this narrative as a diagram!