

## **8 Basic Questions**

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Starting a new story? These questions will help you build a foundation for your story when you begin to write.

- 1. Who are these people and what are they like?
- 2. What is happening? (Action)
- 3. What is the tone of the story?
- 4. What is the setting and time?
- 5. What is the theme of this story? (What will it be about?)
- 6. What life altering events are happening, have happened, or are about to happen?
- 7. Why? (Conflict and motivation)
- 8. How will the characters react?