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Plot is THE driving force of your screenplay, so it's essential that you spend time on your plotting skills when you're writing a script outline.. You can create the most interesting character in the world, but without an equally interesting plot, the audience will not want to spend 90-120 minutes with that person. A narrative is a report of connected events, real or imaginary, presented in a sequence of written or spoken words, or still or moving images, or both. The word derives from the Latin verb *narrare*, "to tell", which is derived from the adjective *gnarus*, "knowing" or "skilled".. Narrative can be organized in a number of thematic or formal categories: non-fiction (such as definitively including ... There's an old story -- Orson Welles called it "the greatest Hollywood one-liner ever made" -- that when someone attending the 1958 funeral of Harry Cohn, the fearsome president of Columbia Pictures, asked how it was possible that such a huge crowd would show up for Cohn's funeral, Billy Wilder quipped: "Well, give the people what they want." The story is almost certainly apocryphal. Act — As defined by Robert McKee, "An ACT is a series of sequences that peaks in a climactic scene which causes a major reversal of values, more powerful in its impact than any previous sequence or scene." 1 The apparent precision of McKee's definition, however, belies the fact that the "Act," as understood in terms of traditional three-act screenplay structure (which has itself ...