

Writing a mystery is easier when you plan out your story. To guide them as they develop their work, writers often find models in two places:

- stories by other writers
- incidents from their own lives

Use the chart on the following screens to help you identify models you like and to plan a mystery that you write.

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Category	Models I Like	Proposal for My Story
Setting		
Theme		
Main Conflict		

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Category	Models I Like	Proposal for My Story
Main Characters		
Minor Characters		

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Category	Models I Like	Proposal for My Story
Descriptive Language		
Other Elements		