

Below are precise, P1-style instructions for preparing **bible/frames.yml**. This file encodes narrative situations (frames) and their compatibility with schemas and metaphors so generation stays coherent and evaluators can score objectively.

Purpose

A **frame** is a reusable situation model (e.g., *journey*, *union_separation*) that constrains which **schemas** and **metaphors** may activate, what **roles** must be filled, and how **viewpoint/attention** defaults behave. Frames are the backbone for: retrieval, beat-by-beat generation, coherence checks, and (optionally) shot-planner hints.

What to Prepare (Creator-Curated)

A) Frame inventory (IDs + definitions)

Curate 10–18 compact frames common to your world. Examples: `journey`, `union_separation`, `confrontation`, `threshold_crossing`, `search`, `waiting`, `revelation`, `exchange`, `ritual`, `ascent_descent`, `pursuit`, `enclosure_release`. - **For each**, write a 1–2 sentence **definition** in your own words (no style language).

B) Roles & slots

- `core_roles`: minimal set that defines the frame (e.g., `traveler`, `path`, `goal`).
- `optional_roles`: extra attach points (e.g., `guide`, `obstacle`).
- `role_notes`: short guidance on how roles typically map to image schemas.

C) Schema compatibility

- `allowed_schemas`: list of schema IDs permitted in this frame.
- `required_schemas`: 1–3 schema IDs that **must** appear at least once.
- `disallowed_schemas`: rare hard bans (keep minimal).

D) Metaphor compatibility

- `allowed_metaphors`: metaphor IDs that fit the frame.
- `disallowed_metaphors`: explicit bans.
- `metaphor_bias`: optional weights in `0..1` to nudge selection.

E) Viewpoint & attention defaults

- `viewpoint_defaults`: {person: 1st|2nd|3rd, tense: past|present, distance: close|medium|far}.
- `attention_defaults`: list of role or schema IDs to prioritize with weights (0..1).

F) Gates & motifs

- `gates_allowed`: surface elements that belong to this frame (e.g., bridge, tunnel, stairs, door).
- `motif_hints`: optional tags to enrich retrieval (e.g., hush, reflection).

G) Beat affinities (generation pacing)

- `beat_affinity`: which beats this frame tends to co-occur with (e.g., {turn: 0.8, development: 0.6}).

H) Examples

- `examples.text`: 1 short line that clearly instantiates the frame.

I) Governance metadata

- `provenance`: {source, curator, license, confidence}.

File Structure & Validation Rules

- File header includes `version`.
- `id` is **lower_snake_case**, unique across frames.
- All cross-refs must exist: `allowed_schemas` in `schemas.yml`; `allowed_metaphors` in `metaphors.yml`.
- `required_schemas` \subseteq `allowed_schemas`.
- Weights in `0..1`.
- Keep definitions short (≤ 160 chars) and situation-focused.

Minimal YAML Template

```
version: "0.1.0"
frames:
  - id: journey
    definition: "Movement from a source toward a goal along a constrained
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route."
  core_roles: [traveler, source, path, goal]
  optional_roles: [guide, obstacle]
  role_notes:
    traveler: "Agent that undergoes displacement."
    obstacle: "Force or boundary that raises difficulty."
  allowed_schemas: [path, container, boundary, center_periphery,
force_dynamics]
  required_schemas: [path]
  disallowed_schemas: []
  allowed_metaphors: [life_is_travel, raw_cooked, importance_is_center]
  disallowed_metaphors: []
  metaphor_bias: { life_is_travel: 0.9, importance_is_center: 0.4 }
  viewpoint_defaults: { person: "3rd", tense: "present", distance: "medium" }
  attention_defaults: [{role: path, w: 0.6}, {schema: boundary, w: 0.4}]
  gates_allowed: [bridge, tunnel, stairs]
  motif_hints: [hush, reflection]
  beat_affinity: { hook: 0.5, development: 0.7, turn: 0.6, reveal: 0.5 }
  examples:
    text: ["she crosses the narrow bridge toward a dim hall"]
  provenance: { source: "SV_Extended v0.1", curator: "Mahyar", license: "CC-
BY", confidence: 0.85 }

- id: union_separation
  definition: "Two parts join or part across a boundary or threshold."
  core_roles: [whole, part, boundary]
  optional_roles: [witness]
  role_notes:
    boundary: "Door/edge where relation changes."
  allowed_schemas: [part_whole, container, boundary, balance]
  required_schemas: [part_whole]
  disallowed_schemas: []
  allowed_metaphors: [raw_cooked, light_dark]
  disallowed_metaphors: []
  metaphor_bias: { raw_cooked: 0.7 }
  viewpoint_defaults: { person: "3rd", tense: "present", distance: "close" }
  attention_defaults: [{schema: boundary, w: 0.7}]
  gates_allowed: [door, threshold]
  motif_hints: [silence]
  beat_affinity: { setup: 0.6, turn: 0.8, reveal: 0.7 }
  examples:
    text: ["the door stands between what was us and what remains"]
  provenance: { source: "SV_Extended v0.1", curator: "Mahyar", license: "CC-
BY", confidence: 0.9 }

# Optional global constraints for frames
constraints:
  max_schemas_per_scene: 6

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max_metaphors_per_frame: 3
default_viewpoint: { person: "3rd", tense: "present", distance: "medium" }
banned_frame_pairs: []
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Spreadsheet (Optional) → YAML Columns

If you curate in Sheets/CSV first, use one row per frame:

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id,definition,core_roles,optional_roles,role_notes_json,allowed_schemas,required_schemas,disallowed_schemas
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-JSON columns (e.g., `role_notes_json`) are serialized objects/arrays: `{ "traveler": "Agent..." }`.

Curation Workflow

1) Draft 10–18 frames with definitions and roles. 2) Fill `allowed_/required_schemas` and `allowed_/disallowed_metaphors` using existing IDs. 3) Add defaults for viewpoint/attention that match the typical cinematic distance. 4) Add one short example per frame. 5) Validate cross-refs (engineers provide `sv frames validate`). 6) Commit with `data(frames): seed v0.1`.

Quality Checklist (Before Handoff)

- `[]` IDs are lower_snake_case and unique.
- `[]` `required_schemas ⊆ allowed_schemas` and not empty where the frame would be ill-defined.
- `[]` Viewpoint/attention defaults present and plausible.
- `[]` Gates/motifs consistent with world-bible style.
- `[]` At least one example text per frame.
- `[]` Provenance fields filled.

Common Pitfalls

- Using frames that duplicate schemas (e.g., `container` is a schema, not a frame).
- Over-banning metaphors (prefer soft bias over hard disallow unless necessary).
- Missing roles that make the frame unusable by the generator (e.g., `journey` without `path`).

Hand-Off Note to Engineering

- Treat `bible/frames.yml` as **read-only** curated data.
- Validators must check ID uniqueness, range checks, and cross-refs to `schemas.yml` and `metaphors.yml`.
- Retrieval indexes `definition`, `core_roles`, `gates_allowed`, and `motif_hints`.
- Generation uses `required_schemas`, `metaphor_bias`, `beat_affinity`, and viewpoint/attention defaults.