

SUB-FUNCTION	MEANS									
Plot line or theme	unrecognised virtue	fatal flaw	the debt that must be paid	eternal triangle	spider and fly	boy meets girl (etc.)	gift taken away	the hero who cannot be kept down		
Viewpoint	universal narrator (3 rd person, 's/he')	personal universal narrator (1 st person, 'I/we')	sole protagonist	dual protagonists	a number of characters	omnipotent/deity	pet	the earth beneath our feet	2 nd person ('you')	article of clothing
Form	tragedy	comedy	farce	whodunnit	drama	sci-fi	horror	thriller	musical	soap
Setting	city	town	village	countryside	fantasy world	space	sea	air	prison	virtual
Period	past	present	future	unspecified	simultaneous past, present, future	specific historical	scientific prediction (likely)	scientific prediction (SciFi)	within one day	lifetime/ several lifetimes
Tense	past	present	future	past historic	present/past, etc	(any combination)				
Philosophy/ symbolism	who are you	what do you want	atheist	theist	science will destroy us	save the Planet	monarchy as greed/ oppression	poverty as education	romantic love as hope for mankind	fortress as the strength of human spirit
Protagonist (the major character)	man	woman	child	teenager	animal	alien	robot	god	crowd	foreigner
Other major character(s)	woman	man	teenager	child	alien	animal	god	crowd	robot	furniture/ house
Principal relationship(s)	friends	lovers	political ally	travelling partners	colleagues	pet/owner	slave/owner	servant/ master	debtor/ creditor	rivals

Morphological chart for fictional narratives (Plot lines, etc., can be inverted. Items can be plural or single) (Childs (2007, 2011)).