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Chapter 5 - Story & Character Development: Creating the Narrative

Storytelling Traditions

Generating Ideas

Classic Character Archetypes

- Hero
- Shadow
- Mentor
- Ally
- Guardian
- Trickster
- Herald
- Protagonist
- Antagonist
- Co-Protagonists
- Supporting Characters

Traditional Story Structure

- Hollywood Three-Act
- Monomyth & Hero's Journey

Story Elements

- Premise
- Backstory
- Synopsis
- Theme
- Setting
- Plot

Character Development Elements

- Character Triangle
- Character Arc



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Game Story Devices

- Interactivity
- Non-Linearity
- Player Control
- Collaboration
- Immersion

Game Character Types

- Player Characters
- Non-Player Characters
- Character Categories

Point-of-View

- First-Person
- Third-Person

Visual Character Development

- Techniques
- Style
- Movement

Verbal Character Development

- Narration
- Monologue
- Dialogue

Character Advancement

- Class
- Skill

Character Description

Game Storytelling & Documentation

