Welcome to your **Hero's Journey!**

Save a copy of this template as a suggestion guide to help you finish the story!

Or, create your own!

Let's Go!

Consider these tools to help you on your way:

- ★ Hero's Journey Guide
- ★ Jungle Jinni Read & Review
- ★ Earth Charter Lessons

The Jungle Jinni Part- 2

Your Story Title

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TABLE OF CONTENT

A table of contents is a small section at the beginning of a book that outlines the sections or chapters and lists their page numbers. It is like a map for a book! It shows you what the book is about and where to find different parts. It lists the chapters or sections and the pages they're on, so you can easily find what you want to read. Just like how a treasure map tells you where to go to find treasure, the table of contents helps you find the information you're looking for in a book!

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Introduce yourself to your audience.

PREFACE

You can talk about why you wrote this book, your research methods, and experiences.

DEDICATION

Here is where you dedicate the book to someone. It can be just one person or a few people. To your loved ones or to your readers. A one-liner or a paragraph.

Written in a serious or silly way. It's at your discretion.

FOREWORD

An introduction by someone other than the author. It's usually an endorsement by a well-known figure. He or she could be an expert or an thought leader, or a good friend or family member!

GRATITUDE Express appreciation and thank people who have helped in the creation of this book. It could be your teachers, teammates or supportive friends and family.

ONCE UPON A TIME		
Your story starts he	re! Add illustrations and text to help tell your sto	ory!

Storytelling Tips:

- **1. Start with an exciting idea:** Think of something that grabs your attention right away. It could be about magic, adventure, friendship, or even a mystery!
 - 1. **Create cool characters:** Make characters that are fun and interesting. They could be brave heroes, mischievous sidekicks, or quirky creatures from another world.
 - 2. **Make it all about the adventure:** Every good story needs a problem to solve or a quest to go on. Make sure your main character has something exciting to do or discover!
 - 3. **Show, don't tell, with lots of details:** Use lots of descriptive words to paint a picture in your reader's mind. Instead of just saying it's raining, describe how big the raindrops are and how they sound hitting the ground.
 - 4. **Keep it moving:** Keep things exciting by adding action, surprises, and funny moments.
 - 5. **Keep them guessing:** Add twists and turns to your story to keep your readers guessing. Maybe your hero finds out they have a secret power, or their best friend turns out to be a villain!
 - 6. **Make it feel real:** Even if your story is set in a fantasy world, make it feel believable by adding details that make sense in your story's universe.
 - 7. **End with a bang:** Leave your readers feeling happy or excited about what happened.
 - 8. **Practice makes perfect:** Don't be afraid to edit and revise your story until it's just right. The more you work on it, the better it will be!
 - 9. **Share your story:** Show your story to your friends, family, or teachers and ask for their feedback. They might have some great ideas to make your story even better!

Remember, writing a story should be fun! So let your imagination run wild and see where it takes you. Happy writing!

Time For Your Hero's Journey!

Joseph Campbell, a scholar of mythology believed that all myths, legends, and modern stories followed a pattern, known as 'The Hero's Journey'.

Use this pattern as a guideline to help discover your own Hero's Journey!

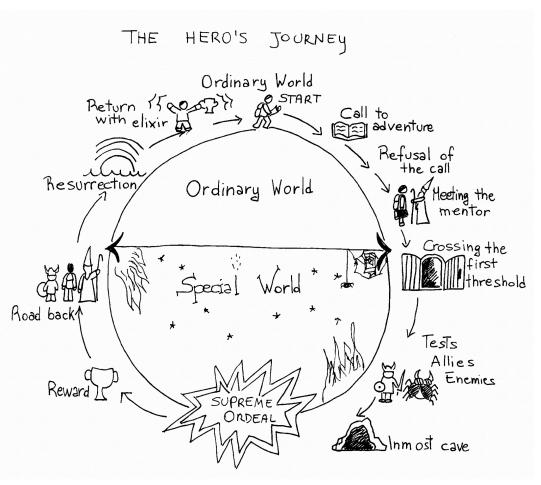


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Steps In The Hero's Journey

- 1. **The ordinary world** life as normal.
- 2. **Call to adventure -** a potential adventure appears.
- 3. **Refusal of the call -** they resist the adventure.
- 4. **Meeting the mentor** a guide appears.
- 5. **Departure** they begin the adventure and leave their comfort zone.
- 6. **Tests, allies, enemies** they face challenges, make friends and meet enemies along the path.
- 7. **Approach to the inmost cave** approaching a huge challenge.
- 8. **Ordeal** the biggest challenge.
- 9. **Reward** that they get from completing the main challenge.
- 10. **The road back** the journey back.
- 11. **Resurrection -** a final challenge.
- 12. **Return -** the return to a normal life, but hugely improved.
 - ★ Find the Pattern! Think of your favorite story (book, movie, hero). Can you identify this pattern in the story?
 - ★ **Reflect** on Part 1 of Jungle Jinni's story, can you identify the steps of the hero's journey pattern in her story?
 - **★** Warm Up! Write your own Hero's Journey!

Can a person have more than one hero's journey in their lifetime? Think of your own life, how many Hero's Journeys have you been on and which journey has been the most significant? Maybe you're on a hero's journey now? What stage in the hero's journey do you think you are at now and how do you hope your journey will end?

1. The ordinary world

The journey has yet to start. Before our Hero discovers a strange new world, we must first understand their ordinary reality. Set the stage, introduce the protagonist in their "normal" life before their journey begins .

- ➤ Reflect on your everyday life. What was your routine like? What felt normal and comfortable? Was there something you felt was missing or unsatisfactory?
 - ➤ Imagine your everyday life as a painting. What colors and images would you use to represent your daily routine, your family, and your friends? What parts of this painting make you feel happy and safe, and are there parts that feel incomplete or longing for change? Describe the flavors, smells, textures, and sounds.

Suggestions:

It's time for Jungle Jinni to leave her ordinary world!

- ★ Describe/ Reflect on Jungle Jinni's ordinary world.
 - ★ Where did we last leave Jungle Jinni?
- ★ Describe Jungle Jinni's life in the jungle after the humans have left. How does she feel about her ordinary appearance now?

Example: "Jungle Jinni felt [emotion] as she looked around at the [setting]. She missed the days when [describe something from her past]."

2. Call to adventure

The call to adventure is all about booting the Hero out of their comfort zone. In this stage, they are generally confronted with a problem or challenge they can't ignore. This catalyst can take many forms such as:

-Decide to go forth of their own volition

-Be sent on a mission by an agent

-Stumble upon the adventure as a result of a blunder

-Be casually strolling when some passing phenomenon catches the wandering eye and lures one away from the path.

➤ Think about a moment or event that challenged your usual way of life. What was this moment? How did it call you to step out of your comfort zone?

Suggestions:

- ★ What is the challenge facing Jungle Jinni? Could this be her call to adventure?
 - ★ How can this challenge open up the story for a hero's journey?
 - ★ What motivates Jungle Jinni to take action to restore the jungle?

Example: "One day, Jungle Jinni saw [event/situation] and realized she needed to [action she must take]."

3. Refusal of the Call

The hero hesitates or refuses the call due to fear or insecurity.

> Consider a time when you were hesitant or afraid to take on a new challenge. What were your fears or doubts? Why did you initially resist this change or adventure?

Suggestions:

- ★ What fears or doubts does Jungle Jinni have about her ability to make a difference?
 - ★ What might hold Jungle Jinni back from going on the adventure?
 - ★ What are the alternatives if she doesn't go?
 - ★ What might convince her to go?

Example: "At first, Jungle Jinni was afraid because [reason]. She worried that [concern]."

4. Meet the Mentor

The hero meets a mentor who provides advice, training, or encouragement.

> Who in your life has been a mentor to you during challenging times? What advice or support did they offer that helped you decide to move forward?

Suggestions:

Here's where you come in! Can you convince Jungle Jinni to continue the adventure?

- ★ How can you help Jungle Jinni gain the courage and knowledge she needs?
 - ★ What advice do you give her?
 - ★ What can you teach Jinni that will help her along the way?

Example: "Jungle Jinni met [mentor] who told her [advice]. This made her feel [emotion]."

5. Crossing the Threshold

The hero commits to the adventure and enters a new world. This marks the end of the separation stage and is when the adventure really starts

- > Recall a moment when you finally decided to take on a challenge. What was it like to step out of your comfort zone? What feelings did you experience as you began this new journey?
- > Imagine this moment as crossing a bridge from your old life to a new adventure. What did the bridge look like, and how did you feel as you crossed it?

Suggestions:

From this point on, there's no turning back!

- ★ Maybe Jungle Jinni lands in your world?
- ★ What is this new world like? Describe it.
- ★ Introduce Jungle Jinni to your home, what makes it beautiful? What needs help? Give Jungle Jinni a tour.
 - ★ What is the first step Jungle Jinni takes towards her goal?

Example: "Determined to make a change, Jungle Jinni decided to [first action]."

6. Tests, Allies, Enemies

The hero faces tests, makes allies, and confronts enemies in the new world.

- > Reflect on the challenges you faced along the way.
 - ➤ Who were your supporters and allies?
- > Did you encounter any obstacles or people who opposed you?
 - ➤ How did these experiences shape you?

Suggestions:

- ★ What are some challenges you and Jungle Jinni might run into in your world?
- ★ Who are some friends who can help you and Jungle Jinni overcome these challenges?
- ★ Who are some antagonists who might try to disrupt your mission?
- ★ Need some inspiration? Use your life as your muse to create characters and situations for the story.

Example: "As Jungle Jinni worked to [goal], she encountered [challenge]. Fortunately, [ally] helped by [action]. However, [enemy] tried to [obstacle]."

7. Approach the Inmost Cave

The hero prepares for a major challenge in the new world.

- ➤ Think about the biggest challenge you've faced. How did you prepare for it? What thoughts and feelings did you have as you approached this significant moment?
 - ➤ Imagine it as a dark cave you had to enter. What did the entrance to this cave look like, and what thoughts were going through your mind as you prepared to enter and face your fear?

Suggestions:

★ What is the most critical moment of preparation for Jungle Jinni?

Example: "Jungle Jinni knew she had to [critical action] before she could [final goal]. She prepared by [preparation steps]."

8. The Ordeal

The hero faces the central crisis of their adventure, confronting their greatest fear or challenge.

➤ Describe a moment when you were in the middle of your greatest challenge. Imagine this as a battle scene in a story. What were the 'weapons' (skills, knowledge, inner strength) you used to overcome this challenge, and how did it feel to come out victorious?

Suggestions:

★ Describe the major conflict Jungle Jinni faces. How does she overcome it?

Example: "In the final battle, Jungle Jinni faced [major conflict]. She overcame it by [solution]."

9. The Reward

After overcoming the ordeal, the hero receives a reward.

➤ After you overcame your biggest challenge, what reward did you receive? Think of this reward as a treasure. How did it change you or your life? What does this treasure look like, and what special powers does it hold?

Suggestions:

★ What does Jungle Jinni achieve or realize after overcoming the ordeal?

Example: "After the conflict, Jungle Jinni realized [reward/realization]."

10. The Road Back

The hero begins the journey back to the ordinary world, with the reward/treasure he won. but faces more challenges on the way.

➤ Describe your journey back to normal life after achieving your goal or overcoming the challenge. What new challenges did you face during this transition? How have you changed compared to when you started?

Suggestions:

★ How does Jungle Jinni begin to restore the jungle?

Example: "With the ordeal behind her, Jungle Jinni started to [action to restore the jungle]."

11. The Resurrection

The hero faces a final test, using everything they have learned.

> How did you use all the lessons and strengths you gained from your journey to overcome this last obstacle?

Suggestions:

★ How is Jungle Jinni transformed by her experiences?

Sample: "Jungle Jinni was now [transformation]. She understood the importance of [lesson]."

12. The Elixer

- ➤ The hero returns to the ordinary world with the treasure, wisdom, or knowledge gained from the adventure. The Hero returns home with the reward/treasure that will help him improve the Ordinary World (it can just as well be a material thing as a greater insight into himself as a person). Usually, the elixir (the reward/treasure) is meant to help someone *other* than the Hero—what the Hero gained on his journey will benefit others beyond himself.
- ➤ When you returned to your everyday life, what new insights or strengths did you bring back with you? Imagine sharing these insights as gifts to those around you. How have these gifts helped you or your community, and what impact have they had?

Suggestions:

★ What wisdom or benefit does Jungle Jinni bring back to the jungle?

Example: "Jungle Jinni shared [wisdom/benefit] with the entire jungle, ensuring that [positive outcome]."

By reflecting on these steps and using the prompts, you can understand your personal hero's journey and how your experiences have shaped you. Remember to think about how each part of your journey has contributed to your growth and transformation, and let your imagination guide your reflections!

Your Story Continued (Keep adding pages as you need!)

Congratulations, Storytellers!

You've completed your Hero's Journey! You have shown incredible courage and creativity by reflecting on your experiences and sharing your unique stories. Whether your journey was filled with challenges, triumphs, or personal growth, you've taken the first step in turning your life experiences into a powerful narrative.

Next Steps:

If you want to share your ideas with the world, <u>submit your story</u> for publishing. By publishing your story, you can help raise funds for an environmental cause you're passionate about—making your words a force for positive change!

Remember:

- Every story has value, and yours could inspire others.
- Don't be afraid to revise and improve your story; writing is a journey too!
- Share your story with pride, knowing that it's a reflection of your strength, creativity, and commitment to the environment.