

The Road - Elements of Structure
Practice Assignment for Part 4 (Pages 168-225)

First, you will be in small groups for this assignment, to be determined. Below are four links that have to do with *structure* in writing. Find the link that corresponds to your group number.

Groups 1 & 5 - [12 Ways to Create Suspense](#)

Groups 2 & 6 - [How to Write a Flashback Scene in 7 Key Steps](#)

Groups 3 & 7 - [Techniques to Establish Pacing](#) - this is a tricky one, so here's an additional resource: [7 Tools for Pacing a Novel](#)

Group 4 - [5 Tips on Writing Dialogue](#)

Explore the website you are assigned to; it focuses on one element of structure. Read and discuss the contents of the website in your group. Then you will prepare the following to present to the class:

1. Explain the structural element you've been assigned. Create a GOOGLE SLIDES presentation, taking key elements directly from the website you've been assigned. Our final essays next week will be based on these structural elements, so please do a thorough job.
2. Find and discuss TWO examples of your structural element that we see in the book *The Road*. Present these to the class: include the specific text and give page numbers in your presentation.
3. What is the effect that the author, Cormac McCarthy, is going for with the technique you've been given? Does he succeed? Include this explanation in your slideshow.
4. Make sure to share your presentation with me: mbonaventure@pleasanthill.k12.or.us

GROUPS (2019)

- [Period 2](#)
- [Period 7](#)