

Crafting the Wanderer/Explorer Statement

The second part of the formula is the “B” statement, which is the Wanderer/Explorer Statement.

Remember that the Wanderer/Explorer’s journey centers around the Protagonist gathering the knowledge and the support system he thinks he needs in order to answer the Central Question.

The Wanderer/Explorer Statement “...he gets/does/tries/learns B...”

The *Home Alone* Statement “. . .he must learn how to take care of himself and be the man of the house. . .”

This is where the Orphan/Loner morphs into the Wanderer/Explorer; in this case, Kevin learns what it means to be the man of the house—getting groceries, ordering food in, and taking care of the place, which is all uncharted territory for him. In *E.T.*, Elliot becomes the Wanderer/Explorer as he learns to care for the alien and enlists the assistance of his brother Mike and his sister Gert to keep E.T.’s existence a secret from his mother.