

Plot Structure Graph

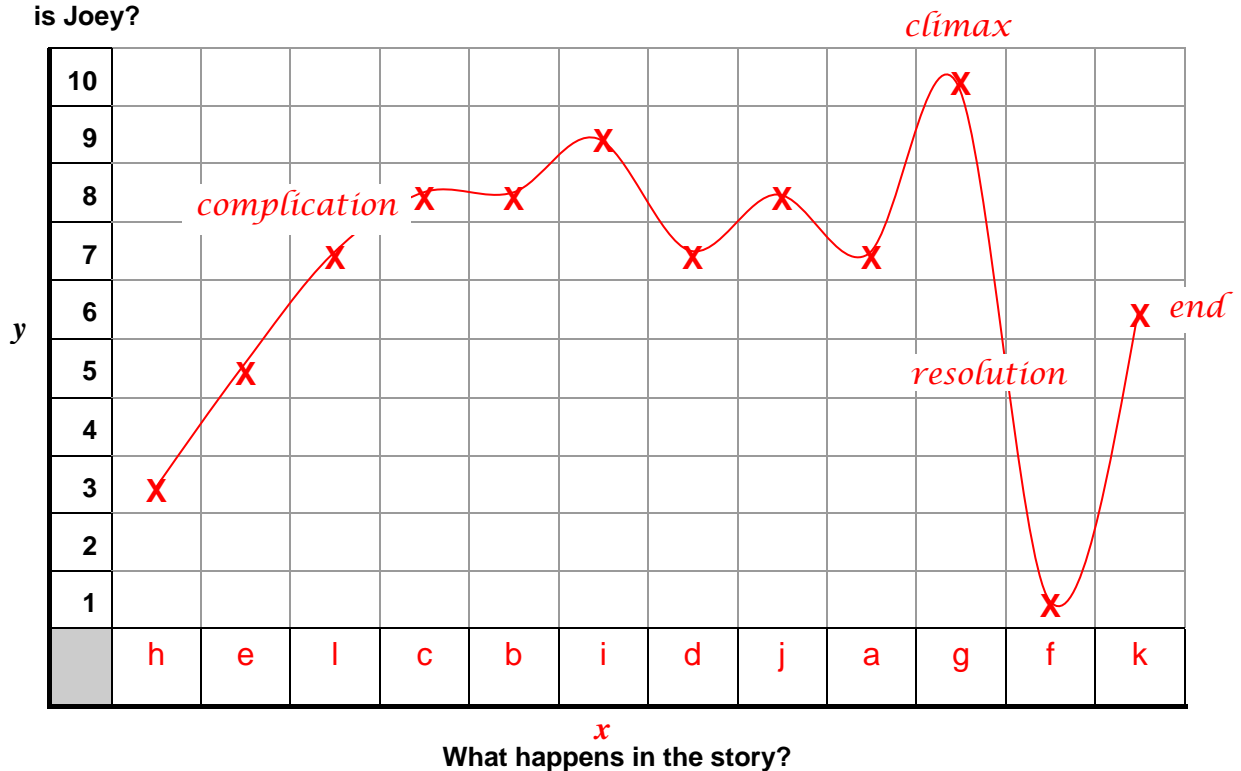
The story 'The Knock at the Door' has a lot of suspense. This means that it tells of a situation where at least one of the characters and the readers becomes increasingly worried about something that will happen or that they think will happen.

As the story goes on, Joey becomes more and more frightened about what is happening. This can be represented in the graph below.

1. On the *x*-axis of the graph below (What happens in the story), write the letters of the events from the previous sequencing activity (Worksheet 1.6) in the correct order.
2. What is the most frightening event for Joey? Mark it with an 'X' on the graph. (10 = most frightening)
3. What is the least frightening event for Joey? Mark it with an 'X' on the graph. (1 = least frightening)
4. How frightening are the other events for Joey? Mark each event with an 'X' on the graph.

(Answers may vary)

How frightened is Joey?



5. Now, draw a line to join the marks. How does the curve look?
6. Label the beginning, orientation, complication, climax, resolution and end of the story on the curve.