



Christopher Brooker found that there were **SEVEN DIFFERENT STORY PLOTS**. He said that when we write a story we follow one or more of these plots:

1. **Rags to Riches** – the poor hero ends up getting money, power or something else he or she really wants.
2. **Overcoming the Monster** – the hero confronts an evil character or force which threatens the local community.
3. **The Quest** – the hero sets out with his or her friends to find an important object, place or person. Along the way there are difficult challenges.
4. **Voyage and Return** – the main character travels to a strange place, and defeats the threats they meet before coming home.
5. **Comedy** – the hero has difficult things to deal with, but everything ends up happily. The story is told in a funny way. Many romantic stories are comedies.
6. **Tragedy** – the main character makes a great mistake which ends up with them failing or dying. We learn from their mistakes.
7. **Rebirth** – the main character has a life-changing experience which causes them to become a better person.

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