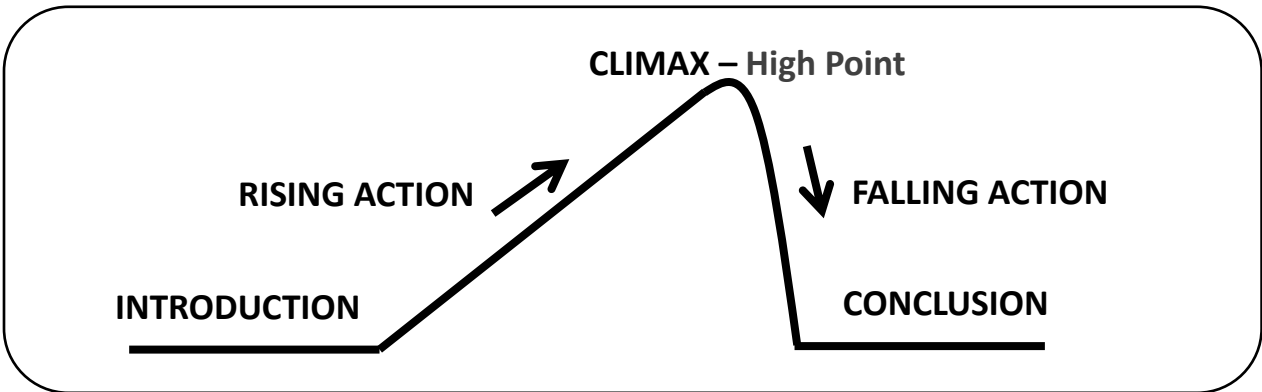


Thanksgiving *Suspense Writing*



Essay #1: Write a suspenseful essay using the five story parts. (18-24 sentences)

It was another fantastic Thanksgiving afternoon. All the kids were out back enjoying the late autumn weather. The fathers were cooking several turkeys using various ovens and barbeques. The many mothers had organized a ping-pong tournament in the garage, and the grandparents were lounging on sofas discussing current events and the Great Depression. Suddenly, squeaky brakes announced the arrival of a delivery truck, and a nondescript, brown wrapped package the size of a refrigerator was promptly left on the front porch. The truck disappeared around the corner before anyone could ask questions...



Essay #2: Choose one of these opening sentences, and write a suspenseful essay using the five story parts. (16-20 sentences)

- It was 9 a.m. at the National Turkey Hotline when I got my first call.
- You'll never believe what grandma found inside the gravy.
- As the family found their seats and thankful speeches were given, I knew our dog was up to something.
- The two youngest children in the family always get the Thanksgiving wishbone.
- There was more than just the smell of a cooking turkey in the air, and it was coming from the hallway closet.