

High Impact Storytelling ABS Checklist

| Does your narrative address a clear and relatable problem? |
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| Do you have a clear CENTRAL THEME and FOUNDATIONAL PHRASE? |
| Does your OPENING SENTENCE orient the listener to your narrative? |
| AND |
| Does your story center around a relatable main character [The SEEKER]? |
| Do you begin by showing the Seeker's EVERYDAY LIFE? |
| Does the Seeker's goal match your AUDIENCE'S aspiration? |
| BUT |
| Do you introduce the conflict with a specific INCITING INCIDENT? |
| Do you ESCALATE your conflict? |
| Do you create tension with a TICKING CLOCK deadline? |
| Do you include a LOW POINT moment for your main character? |
| Do you introduce a guide [The COMPASS] in this part of the narrative? |
| Do you share the Compass's WISDOM in this part of the narrative? |
| Do you show the Seeker IMPLEMENTING (perhaps reluctantly) the wisdom? |
| SO |
| Do you share the MOMENT OF SUCCESS in this part of the narrative? |
| Do you illustrate the main Seeker's NEW LIFE after the moment of success? |
| What is the LESSON LEARNED to share with your audience? |
| Do you re-share your FOUNDATIONAL PHRASE at the end of the story? |

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