

A List of Novel Starter Prompts

This is an extra resource to go along with the original article:

[*Start It Already: How to Start Your Novel*](#)

Here are several story starter ideas you can use to start off your first scene:

- ★ A visitor rings the doorbell
- ★ The protagonist is embarrassed
- ★ The protagonist discovers a dead body
- ★ The protagonist sees a murder in action
- ★ The protagonist wakes up completely blind
- ★ Someone in the family dies
- ★ The protagonist writes in her journal
- ★ The protagonist (with or without family) moves to a new home or location
- ★ A mysterious package arrives on the doorstep
- ★ The story starts at the moment before a nuclear disaster
- ★ The story starts at the end of a natural disaster
- ★ A bloody fight

Here are over 200 additional story starters:

- [99 Starter Sentences](#)
- [25 Story Starters for Writing Fiction](#)
- [56 Creative Writing Story Starters](#)
- [First Line Generator: 100+ First Sentences to Spark Creativity](#)
- [Story Starters - Fantasist.net](#)
- [The Story Starter](#)