



# WORLD-BUILDING TEMPLATE

## FUNDAMENTALS

Story Title:

World Name:

Tense (Past, Present, Future):

### IS THIS WORLD EARTH-LIKE? HOW IS IT SIMILAR TO OR DIFFERENT THAN EARTH?

Prompts: Physical size, social structure, population of town/city/universe, weather, history, myths, legends, political events, sights, sounds, smells, tastes, etc.

## PEOPLE

Prompts: Race, language, religion, common physical appearances or characteristics, specific rituals or traditions. Are there any unique or important creatures that inhabit this world?

## TECHNOLOGY

Prompts: What level of technology is available in this world? What sort of impact does it have on the people? How important is it to the plot? Is it the same globally or does it differ/is unique to this location? Is availability based on racial or economic factors?

## MAGIC/SUPERNATURAL

Prompts: Is there a magic or supernatural aspect to this world? How does the magic work? What are the limits of the magic? Do any taboos exist?

## GEOGRAPHICAL

Prompts: What natural resources exist? How are they utilized? What are the seasons like? What main geographical features are there? What is the go-to form of transportation?



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## SOCIETY

Prompts: What level of technology exists? Does it differ in some areas of the world? What level of medicine exists? Who does the healing? How is it paid for? Is magic involved? How is law governed? Is there a structured legal system? What does trade/barter look like? What sort of currency exists? How is it earned? Is there any significance of art, entertainment, architecture, leisure activity?

## RELIGION

Prompts: What types of religion exist in this world - if any at all? How does it impact the story? Do different races have different gods? Do technology/magic coexist with religion? Do they create a conflict?

## TIME

Prompts: What calendar or other measurements of time are used? What are the major festivals or holidays?