

## Example of Rewinding the Plot

Book: *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*

Author: Frank Baum

If you read \_\_\_\_\_ backwards, it's about \_\_\_\_\_.

<b>Exposition:</b> The start of the story.	Dorothy and her dog are at her aunt and uncle's home in rural Kansas. A cyclone hits, and instead of being in the storm cellar, they are in the house.
<b>Rising Action:</b> the series of conflicts and crisis in the story that lead to the climax.	The house blows away and lands on top of the Wicked Witch of the East in Munchkin Country. All Dorothy wants to do is return home, and Glinda, the Good Witch of the South who gives Dorothy a pair of silver slippers, tells her to go to the Land of Oz to see the wizard. On her journey she meets Scarecrow, Tin Woodman, and Cowardly Lion who also have wishes that they hope the wizard will solve. When they arrive, the wizard tells them he will only help them if they successfully kill the Wicked Witch of the West.
<b>Climax:</b> The turning point. The most intense moment of the novel.	Dorothy kills the witch.
<b>Falling Action:</b> All of the action which follows the climax.	They return to the wizard who grants all of their wishes; Scarecrow gets a brain, Tin Woodman gets a heart, and Cowardly Lion gets courage while Dorothy, Toto and the wizard will fly to Kansas. However, Toto jumps out of the balloon, so Dorothy follows her dog. Then Glinda tells Dorothy all she has to do is click her silver slippers and say her wish out loud.
<b>Resolution:</b> The conclusion. All problems are worked out.	Surrounded by relatives, Dorothy wakes up with Toto to discover this has all been a dream.