

Name _____ **Cliffhanger**



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A cliffhanger is a point in a story at which characters are left in a difficult and unresolved situation at the end of a story, chapter, or episode, creating suspense for the reader or audience. The function of the cliffhanger is to entice the audience read or watch the next chapter, installment, or episode to find out what happens. There are two types of cliffhangers:

- The main character is left in a dangerous, possibly life-threatening, or otherwise precarious situation.
- Surprising information is revealed which changes the course of the story.

Review your draft. Is there a scene or a chapter which could be revised to be a cliffhanger?

What happens in the scene or chapter?

What kind of cliffhanger would be most appropriate here?

What is the most exciting point? Could you end the scene here?

