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| **ACT 1****1 - Ordinary World/Incident*****Story Set-up***Introduce charactersAt least one goal establishedExternal conflictInternal conflictInciting incident(hint of attraction) | **2 – Disruption*****Reaction and Lives Disrupted***More on charactersMore on goal(s)External conflict’s affectInternal conflict deepensComplicationTicking clock(more on attraction/resistance) | **3 – Decisions*****Actions and Consequences***Actions complicate situationGoals are more complicatedExternal conflicts growInternal conflicts intensifyTicking clock louder(attraction frustrated) | **4 – Life Changes*****Pressure and 1st Turning Point***External conflicts strongerFrustration/internal conflictsBigger complicationOpposing goals resurfacePressures force big changes(relationship at odds) | **5 – Push*****Temporary Resolution***External pressures push changesInternal pressures push changesPossible secret hinted atGoals complicated(romance heating) |
| **ACT 2****6 – Explore Changes*****Resolution and Adjustment***Feelings about changesExternal conflict compromisedInternal conflict troublingRethinking goalsNew conflict arises(attraction growing again) | **7 – Reflection*****Contrast to old world***Reflect on new situationComplication causes problem(relationship doubts) | **8 – Crisis*****Crisis in New World***Goals more complicatedExternal pressures intensifyInternal conflicts more troublingMore complicationsA secret is revealed(relationship sizzling) | **9 – More Reflection*****Finding a solution***Reflection on long-term impactsRe-evaluate motives and goalsTicking clock louder againCompromises considered(doubts develop in relationship) | **10 – New Trials** ***2nd Turning Point***New complicationsProblems feel overwhelmingFear developsInternal doubts intensifyGoals forced to change(frustrated relationship) |
| **ACT 3****11 – Black Moment*****All feels lost***Revelations cause damageHidden backstory revealedExternal demands intensifyOne character may leave(relationship driven apart) | **12 – Determination*****Characters find power***Look at goals/compromisesExternal conflicts looked atInternal conflicts changeGoals change(relationship stronger) | **13 – Battle*****Fight to Win***One last battle (physical, mental)Reflect on all changesInternal conflicts faced(relationship doubts faced) | **14 – Re-evaluations*****Climax***Re-evaluate goals/compromisesExternal conflicts resolvedInternal conflicts changeCharacters forced to change(relationship grows again) | **15 – Life Changes*****Resolution***Reactions to decisionsLife compromises made(relationship secured) |
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