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## BEGIN WITH THE ENDING STORY PLAN

Why not start with the ending? Ask your group to think of the most dramatic and interesting story conclusions they can think up. Take a few moments to sketch out ideas for endings, then the group can share their ideas.

The next stage of the exercise is for everyone to pick one of the endings. They might choose their own, or they can pick an ending someone else devised. Next each writer takes some time to brainstorm and sketch out the beginning of the story, and the steps to reach the ending.

Discuss as a group whether it is better to start writing with only an idea of the beginning, or whether it helps to know the story conclusion. A satisfying story ending is vital, but some writers do prefer to write without knowing the ending.