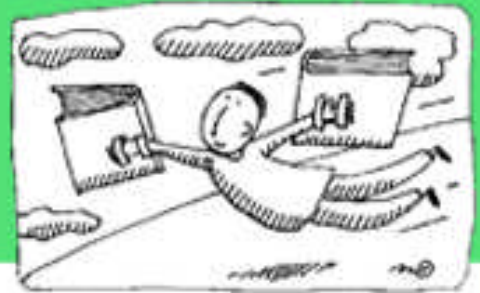


# SHORT STORY RECIPE



## Ingredient List:

- \* **Setting details** that are woven in the text
- \* a **problem/conflict** which is developed as the story (**plot**) progresses
- \* **development of at least one character** through the character's words, thoughts, and actions and/or through the words of other characters and/or the writer
- \* **a resolution of the problem/conflict (climax)**
- \* **a conclusion** (what happens after climax)
- \* **word snapshots** (things for the reader to visualize) and **thoughtshots** (character's thoughts)
- \* **dialogue** may enhance the flavor of the story (optional)

Combine the ingredients indicated above with a lot of creativity, hard work, and revisions. Sprinkle interesting and descriptive words and sentences throughout.

Make sure the first bite (first sentence) is delectable to the point that the reader will want to eat/read every word of your story!