

narrative1. [ˈnærətɪv] *n*

1. рассказ, повесть
2. изложение (*фактов, событий*); повествование
a narrative of plain facts - простое изложение фактов
personal narrative - рассказ о себе самом
3. *иск.* сюжетно-тематическая картина

2. [ˈnærətɪv] *a*

1. повествовательный
narrative poem - повествовательная/эпическая/ поэма
narrative literature - художественная проза, романы и рассказы
narrative infinitive - *грам.* исторический /описательный, повествовательный инфинитив
a writer of great narrative power - писатель, талантливо выстраивающий сюжет
2. *иск.* сюжетно-тематический (о картине)

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▪ **nar-ra-tive** [narrative narratives] *BrE* [ˈnærətɪv] ^u *NAmE* [ˈnærətɪv] ^u **noun**

(formal)

1. **countable** a description of events, especially in a novel

Syn: ↑story

- a gripping narrative of their journey up the Amazon
- 2. **uncountable** the act, process or skill of telling a story
- The novel contains too much dialogue and not enough narrative

Word Origin:

late Middle English (as an adjective): from French *narratif*, *-ive*, from late Latin *narrativus* 'telling a story', from the verb *narrare* (from *gnarus* 'knowing').

Collocations:**Literature***Being a writer*

write/publish literature/poetry/fiction/a book/a story/a poem/a novel/a review/an autobiography

become a writer/novelist/playwright

find/have a publisher/an agent

have a new book out

edit/revise/proofread a book/text/manuscript

dedicate a book/poem to...

Plot, character and atmosphere

construct/create/weave/weave sth into a complex narrative

advance/drive the plot

introduce/present the protagonist/a character

describe/depict/portray a character (as...)/(sb as) a hero/villain

create an exciting/a tense atmosphere

build/heighten the suspense/tension

evoke/capture the pathos of the situation

convey emotion/an idea/an impression/a sense of...

engage the reader

seize/capture/grip the (reader's) imagination

arouse/elicit emotion/sympathy (in the reader)

lack imagination/emotion/structure/rhythm

Language, style and imagery

use/employ language/imagery/humour/(especially US) humor/an image/a symbol/a metaphor/a device

use/adopt/develop a style/technique

be rich in/be full of symbolism

evoke images of.../a sense of.../a feeling of...

create/achieve an effect

maintain/lighten the tone

introduce/develop an idea/a theme

inspire a novel/a poet/sb's work/sb's imagination

Reading and criticism

read an author/sb's work/fiction/poetry/a text/a poem/a novel/a chapter/a passage

review a book/a novel/sb's work

give sth/get/have/receive a good/bad review

be hailed (as)/be recognized as a masterpiece

quote a phrase/line/stanza/passage/author

provoke/spark discussion/criticism

study/interpret/understand a text/passage

translate sb's work/a text/a passage/a novel/a poem

Example Bank:

- It's difficult to construct a narrative out of a series of fast-moving events.
- She has woven a strong personal narrative filled with lively anecdotes.
- The author interrupts her narrative to tell us that the idea for the book had not been well received.
- The author weaves into this narrative many entertaining historical facts.
- The book is written in the style of first-person narrative.
- The movie has a very traditional linear narrative.
- This book offers no coherent narrative of the American Civil War.
- events in the narrative
- interruptions to the narrative flow
- the dominant narrative of the Cold War
- the grand narratives of history
- She has written a gripping narrative of their journey up the Amazon.

▪ **II. nar-ra-tive** adjective only before noun

- narrative fiction
- a narrative poem

Main entry: ↑narrative_{derived}

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nar **ra** **tiv** /'nærətɪv/ BrE ^u AmE ^u noun formal

1. [countable] a description of events in a story, especially in a ↑novel
At several points in the narrative the two stories cross.

2. [uncountable] the process or skill of telling a story

—narrative adjective:

- a narrative poem
- narrative structure

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