

Storyboards

A storyboard is a **pre-production document**.

They are made during the **planning stage** of a product's development.

Storyboards show the action that will take place on screen. They are used for film, video and animation products.

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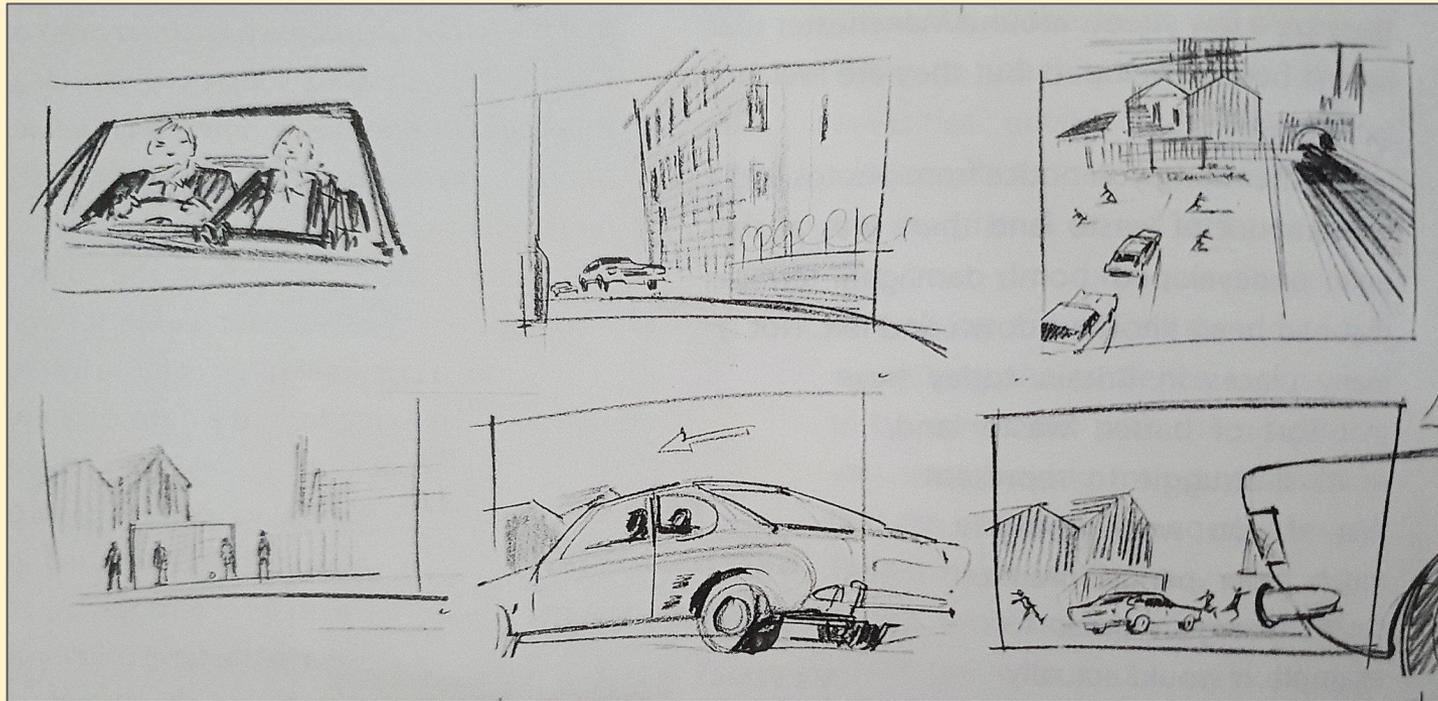
Storyboards are used to show the **action** that takes place on a screen

They can be used for:

- TV shows
- films
- other video (adverts, YouTube etc...)
- animations
- cut scenes in computer games (the scripted bit that's always the same and links two parts of the game together)

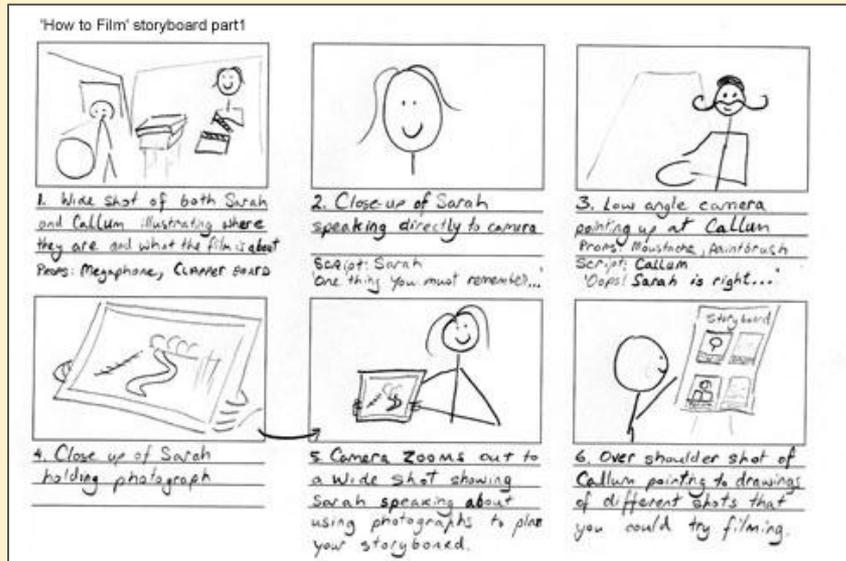
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Storyboards show the different scenes in a product using sketches.



Text is usually added later to show detail about how a scene should be shot

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Storyboards include:

- the number of scenes needed
- scene content - using sketches
- timings for each scene
- scene numbers (to show the order they go in)
- camera shots (close up, mid, long)
- camera movement (pan, tilt, zoom)
- camera angles (over shoulder, low, aerial shot)
- lighting (type and direction)
- sound (dialogue, background sound, music, sound effects)
- visual effects (fade, slo mo)
- locations (studio, indoor, outdoor)
- titles

There is more information about camera shots, movement and angles in another set of Key Learning

Scene number Title Sketch showing scene content

Storyboard KAYAK EVENT - INTERVIEW		
<p>①</p>	<p>②</p>	<p>③</p>
<p>TIME: 0-6 SEC</p> <hr/> <p>INTERVIEWER TO CAMERA TO INTRODUCE</p> <hr/> <p><u>ZOOM</u> FROM MID → CLIP</p> <hr/> <p>BACKGROUND: OUTDOOR EVENT</p>	<p>TIME: 6-15 SEC</p> <hr/> <p>OVER SHOULDER SHOT</p> <hr/> <p>INTERVIEW Q+A</p> <hr/> <p>BACKGROUND: OUTDOOR EVENT</p>	<p>TIME: 15-25 SEC</p> <hr/> <p>LONG SHOT OF EVENT</p> <hr/> <p>VOICE OVER FROM INTERVIEW</p>

Timings

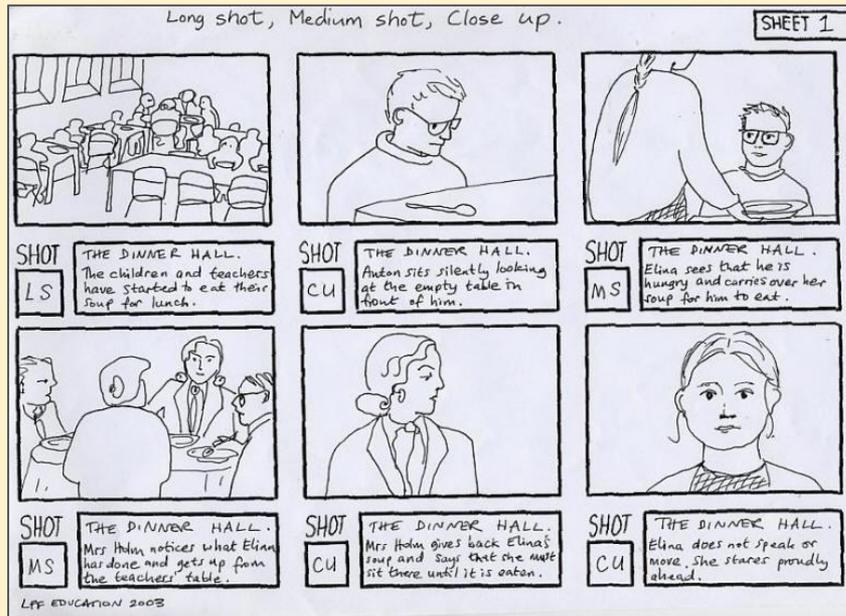
Camera shot (mid) and movement (zoom)

Location

Audio

The quality of drawing is not important - use shapes and stick figures to show the action if you struggle to draw (like me)

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Purposes:

- let the **director** see how the sections of the film will fit together
- show the action that will take place so that **actors** know how the film will be shot
- show **camera operators** how to shoot each part of a film
- show **animators** and **editors** how to fit parts of the product together
- shows how long each sections should be so the product can be produced to the right length
- shows the **production crew** what equipment is needed for each scene

Possible **audiences** for storyboards are shown in **bold** on the right

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Storyboards are visual - they use images to show what will happen in a product.

This means:

- it's easy for people to see what's going to happen in each scene so they can visualise what the product is supposed to look like
- it's easier for people to understand images than it would be if they were just using text

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Famous directors like Steven Spielberg use storyboards for all their movies

Storyboards mean that **everyone knows in advance** what's required for each shot and **how the shots fit together**

This means that filming the final product is a lot **quicker** because it's already been planned - which saves **time** and **money** (making movies is expensive!)

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Storyboards can be made using different types of software:

- **Graphics software** such as Photoshop
- Illustration software
- Desk Top Publishing software

'How to Film' storyboard - part 1



1. Wide Shot of both Sarah and Callum illustrating where they are and what the film is about.



2. Close up of Sarah speaking directly to camera.

Script: Sarah
One thing you must always remember- keep it simple.



3. Low angle camera pointing up at Callum

Script: Callum
Oops! Sarah is right!... forget all this.



4. Close up of Sarah holding photograph



5. Camera zooms out to Wide Shot so we can see Sarah speaking about using photographs to plan your storyboard.



6. Over Shoulder shot of Callum pointing to drawings of different shots that you could try filming

Hardware that could be used includes:

- mouse
- keyboard
- monitor (screen)
- graphics tablet
- touchscreen
- scanner

Storyboards are a specialised type of product. They **DO NOT** use office software or online tools - so answers saying PowerPoint or Word will be **marked wrong**

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Summary:

- **visual tool** to show the different scenes that make up a product
- produced in the design stage
- help actors, directors and other crew members know what is going to happen