



Inspire your students to travel to a galaxy far, far away with these creative-writing prompts!

Created by the authors who've written some of our Star Wars novels, these prompts are great for helping reluctant writers generate ideas and expand their imaginations.

Christie Golden

Make it thoughtful...

Write this scene twice, from two points of view—that of a Jedi and a stormtrooper. They can be characters you know, or characters you make up! Each character is walking by the ocean and finds the wreckage of a rebel ship. How would each one of them react to seeing the same thing?

Jason Fry

Make it real...

First, go out and buy a newspaper—an actual, physical newspaper. Next, rip out a page. It doesn't have to be the front page; any page with a bunch of different stories, ads, classifieds, etc. will do. Read over the stories and look for something that could use a twist—a half turn into the paranormal, the science-fictiony, the just plain weird. Maybe that lost dog isn't a dog but a shape-shifting hero trying to get home. Maybe the portrait painter at the mall captures not just likenesses but also souls. Grab a paper and find three ideas of your own. And if you get stuck, remember you're in the middle of an awesome idea factory. It's called the world.

Chuck Wendig

Make it random...

Searching Google can lead you to a wide and wild variety of randomness—from strange phrases that become story titles to unusual character names. I like to just look for random-word generators and use them to generate a list of words that can be paired together for cool, evocative effect. I just did it now and got “Surly Cask,” “Uncertain Prince,” and “Mysterious Sneeze.” Not sure what I'd do with “Surly Cask,” but the other two make good story titles or story ideas.

Delilah S. Dawson

Make it weird...

Get a stack of photographs or find a random-image generator online. Now write a story about that image—but not the first and most sensible story that pops into your head. Really stretch your imagination and try to tell a new, unique, and weird story, something no one else would think of. See a field with some flowers? Write about the talking mice who hide under the flowers and what they think is happening during the eclipse. When in doubt, make it weird! You'll always find a richer story if you take the road less traveled.



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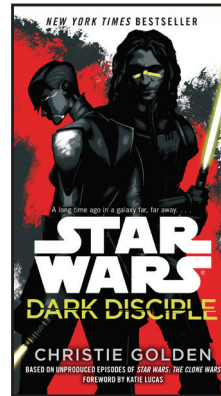
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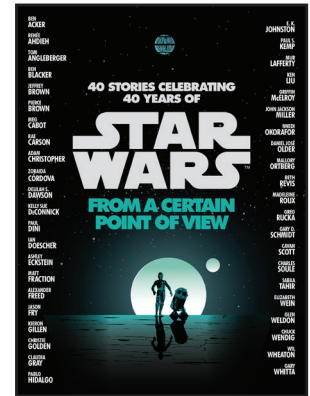
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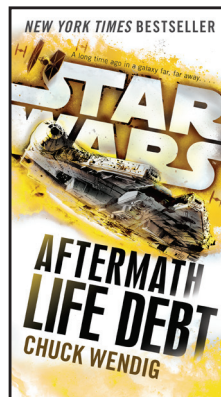
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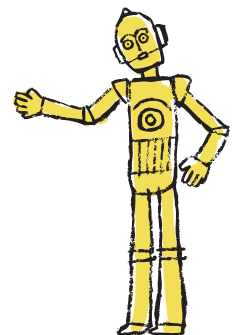
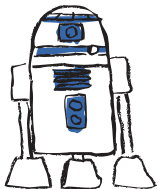
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