

What to do when you get stuck structuring a story (three act)

1. Accept that getting stuck is healthy and part of the process. Remove your head from the gas oven.
2. Answers here are hard because the craft is hard. But try first of all to get a grip on the precise problem (this is hard). Go first to Development Strategy 1 in my book [*Screenwriting Updated*](#) and ask yourself “ What am I supposed to be doing here’ Once you have some notion of that, Target, Brainstorm and Choose. Keep going through my various Development Strategies/
3. Remember, you may be stuck for days, weeks, even months. Don’t lose your nerve. Go back to the index cards. Keep asking questions. Remember that writing consists of talent, technique and tenacity.