



# WRITE YOUR OWN SCI-FI STORY



Illustrations by Paul McGrory for 'London Deep' by Robin Price  
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## 1. DESIGN YOUR 'WORLD':

What's unusual about it? Choose two locations for your story (or make your own up).

Different planet	Environmental nightmare	Ghost town	Parallel universe	Time travel	Under water	Vampires & werewolves	..... You choose
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## 2. CHOOSE NAMES FOR YOUR MAIN CHARACTERS

The 'good guys' are .....

The 'bad guys' are .....

## 3. CHOOSE TWO IMPORTANT OBJECTS:

Stake	Superpower	Spaceship	Teleporter	Magic dice	Skeleton key	Time machine	..... You choose
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## 4. HOW DO THE OBJECTS COME INTO YOUR STORY?

Think about who lost/found each object? Where? How? Why?

## 5. WRITE A SIMPLE PLAN:

### Example plan:

1. The story is set on a dead planet.
2. The hero's name is Max and the villain's name is Ghost.
3. Max needs to find a time-key to bring the planet back to life.
4. Ghost also wants to get the key, which will give him ultimate power.
5. The two first come face to face in an abandoned weapons dump when...

### Story-writing tips:

1. Don't plan too much! Just plan enough to get the 'shape' of your story.
2. You can also write down things for your characters to say in the plan.
3. When your plan is finished, read it back carefully and tweak it.
4. When you are happy with your plan, start writing your story in full.

## 6. NOW SKETCH PICTURES OF YOUR CHARACTERS

There are more story-writing resources at [www.mogzilla.co.uk](http://www.mogzilla.co.uk)

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# GET YOUR SCHOOL WRITING!

## An author event that's out of this world

- *London Deep* author Robin Price will inspire and engage your pupils with this cross-curricular event that covers reading, writing, art & citizenship.
- Brilliant for getting KS2 or KS3 students into writing/reading.
- Not just another author/poet reading their work.

## Your pupils will get to:

- Create their own fantasy worlds (where they decide the rules and laws).
- Write their own sci-f stories.
- Beat the sci-f spinner (a fun quiz).
- Learn the secrets of making magnificent manga.

## A whole day of activities:

- 1 hour interactive presentation (for up to 100 pupils)
- Followed up with story writing workshops in class (typically 30 pupils per workshop)

## Comic-art workshops (optional):

- *London Deep* artist Paul McGrory will help your pupils design their own brilliant comic characters.\*

## Event price from £220\*

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\*There will be an additional fee for Paul's comic-art workshop. There is also a travel charge of 30p per mile for schools outside Greater London



## About London Deep

- *London Deep* is ideal for readers from 9 years upwards who want a reading experience that's half-way between a graphic novel and a book.
- It's a page-turning adventure, told through words and atmospheric comic art.
- It's set in the future, in a flooded London, where rival police forces for kids and adults compete to keep the peace.



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## Reviews & feedback:

'A terrifically atmospheric page-turning adventure told through words and comic art... with contemporary issues of climate change and the environment in an original and provocative way but without sounding patronising. It's a rattling good read and one in which you are sure to be drawn in to Jemima's exploits of survival.' - Lovereading.co.uk

'*London Deep* is a really amazing story about a twelve year old girl called Jemima Mallard. She lives in a flooded London of the future!! ... This book is a very enjoyable read with lots of drama action and fun.' - Abigail (aged 10).

'Price and McGrory team up to bring us a smart, funny, yet gritty new entry to juvenile literature. Rating: \*\*\*\*\*' - Reviewer on <http://www.dooyoo.co.uk/>

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