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In class today we started exploring storyboarding/ the initial planning that helps to make a successful story, show, movie, etc... But what exactly is storyboarding or a storyboard? A storyboard, is a graphic organizer that consists of illustrations or images displayed in sequence for the purpose of pre-visualizing a motion picture, animation, motion graphic, or interactive media sequence. The point of a storyboard is to help, in a way, to preview an animation/ video.

It is like for example, you want to make a cartoon animation, right? To plan it out simply writing a plot or something won't merely be enough or as useful to you. So you would make a storyboard or multiple storyboards because it essentially serves as a roadmap for the entire video you want to make. At your disposal you would have a series of images (maybe text to) that you can then just incorporate into your video to make just as you have planned. With a plan beforehand it makes the process of video making that much easier.

We have also learned about linear and nonlinear storylines. (According to [seattlepi.com](http://seattlepi.com)) "A narrative is a story that includes plot, characters, setting, climax and resolution. Linear narratives present stories in a logical manner by telling what happens from one point in time to the next without using flashbacks or flash-towards and then returning to the present." This way of storytelling is the more traditional way in which stories, movies, shows anything are told really. I believe that is because they are easier to follow and keep track of all the events that are going on.

Now for non-linear storytelling, this is "a narrative technique sometimes used in literature, film, hypertext websites and other narratives, where events are portrayed, for

example, out of chronological order or in other ways where the narrative does not follow the direct causality pattern of events featured...” This type of storyline is becoming more and more common nowadays. It sort of adds to the mystery and desire for more information. Both this and the use of a storyboard beforehand can really help make for a great story.