Comparing Narratives and Essays	
Narrative	Essay
 Organized in sequence. 	 Organized around an important idea.
 Begins with characters, setting, and conflict. 	 Begins with an important idea and an opinion, or perspective.
 Develops the plot across the whole text with the character's struggles and motivation. 	 Develops the important idea across the whole text with reasoning and evidence.
 Concludes with a resolution to the conflict. 	 Concludes by returning to the important idea.
 Written so the reader can participate in the experience. 	 Written so the reader can think about the important idea.