Using a story board, plan out a suspense story. Use the suspense words or sentence starters to help you.

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3. Build the tension.

Add drama like a ticking clock or worse case scenarios.

4. Throw a spanner in the works. The climax.

Disrupt the story by adding a new complication. Add to the tension and keep the reader guessing.

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