

The Art of the Logline Summer Assignment

"The logline is a sentence that encapsulates what your pilot is about."

What is a logline?

- a one-to-two sentence synopsis of a tv show's concept, plot and characters.
 - states the central conflict of the story, providing both a summary of a story's plot and a hook to engage readers.
 - written by screenwriters to entice executives to review their work with the hopes of it eventually being developed into film or tv series
1. Choosing Summer Reading
Option 1: *Brooklyn Nine-nine* and *Lost*
Option 2: *New Girl* and *Stranger Things*
 2. Watch this video: <https://youtu.be/pMj8xUa1jOA>
 3. Once you feel comfortable with HOW to write loglines, begin watching and recording the logline for each episode.
 4. This is an individual assignment. Although you may watch with friends and family, the written work should be completed individually.

Logline Formula 1 for sitcoms (*Brooklyn Nine-Nine* OR *New Girl*)



Episode Title	inciting incident +	protagonist +	action +	antagonist
Example: <i>Stranger Things</i>	When a young boy disappears	his mother, a police chief, and his three friends	must confront	terrifying forces to get him back
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Logline Formula 2 for dramas (*Lost OR Stranger Things*)



Title	protagonist +	action +	antagonist +	goal +	stake
<i>Example Star Wars</i>	Luke Skywalker, a spirited farm boy,	joins rebel forces to fight	the evil Darth Vader	and rescue a princess	from certain death.
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