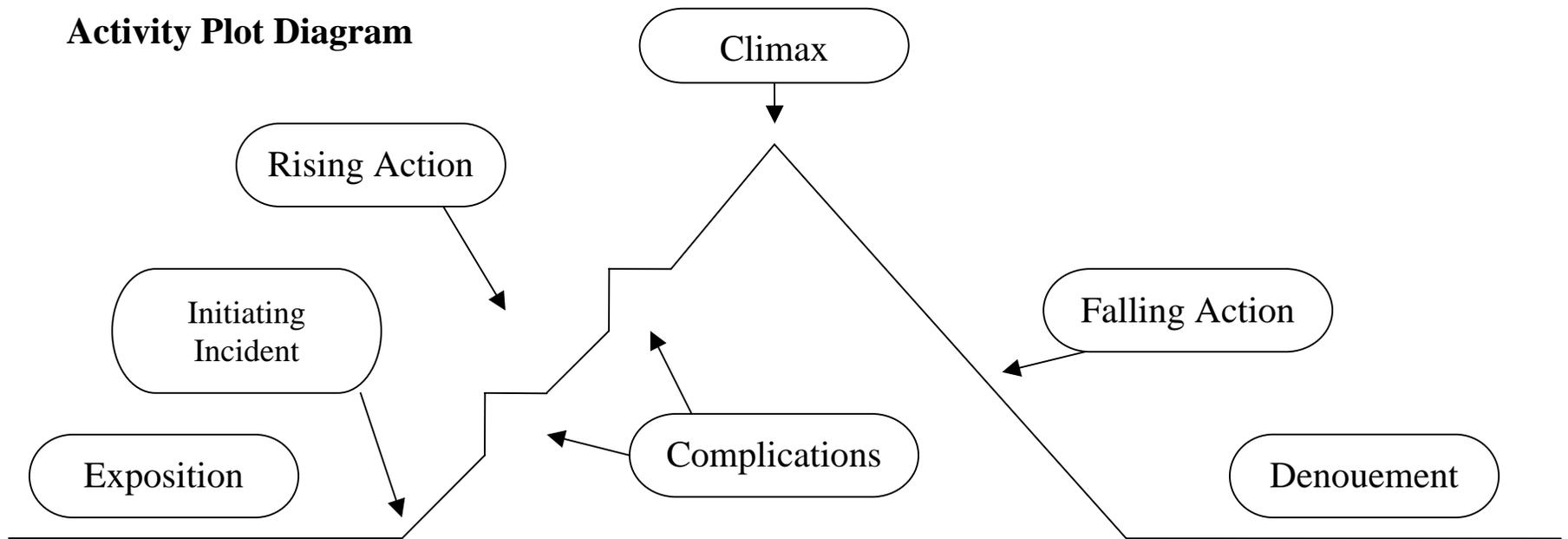


## “The Veldt” by Ray Bradbury

### Activity Plot Diagram



The above diagram is an example of traditional plot structure. In some stories, the falling action may be much shorter than the rising action. Your task is to briefly describe the plot of the story using the above elements.

**Exposition:** *In a futuristic city, with “HappyLife Homes” George and Lydia Hadley begin to worry about the overuse of technology. They inspect the nursery for their children, and become concerned about its morbid theme. .*

**Initiating Incident:** *George and Lydia realize that the African veldt won’t change, and it is becoming more and more realistic. They vow to turn off the technology.*

**Complications:** *The children return home, pretend that all is fine in the nursery, protest vehemently at their parents’ wishes, the psychologist visits and recommends that they get rid of the room because it shows how destructive the children are becoming.*

**Climax:** *George decides to let the children have one last moment in the nursery; they call him and Lydia to it, and lock them in. The lions have become real and George and Lydia realize why the screams sounded familiar.*

**Falling Action:** *David McClean arrives to pick the children up.*

**Denouement:** *The lions finish eating; the vultures drop down; Wendy asks if Mr. McClean would like a cup of tea.*

