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The Reddit Story Writing Guide for 2026

A Reddit story is a first-person post written in the voice of one community. This guide covers the six subreddit styles, how to write a title, the conventions that make a post read as real, how to pick a tone and a length, a checklist for story videos, and a page to plan your own post.

The six subreddit styles

Subreddit	What it is for	Title starts
r/AmItheAsshole	A moral dilemma for readers to judge	AITA for...
r/tifu	A mistake and what it cost	TIFU by...
r/relationships	Advice on a dating or family conflict	My (25F) boyfriend (28M)...
r/confession	A secret or a guilty admission	I never told anyone...
r/nosleep	Horror told as if it really happened	A hook in one line
r/AskReddit	A question that invites stories	The question itself

How to write the title

The title is the hook. Put the conflict in it, in the subreddit's own format, and keep it to one line. "AITA for refusing to pay my sister's parking ticket?" tells the reader the problem and asks for a verdict before the first paragraph.

The conventions that make a post read as real

1. **Ages and genders.** I (28M), my girlfriend (25F).
2. **A throwaway line.** "Throwaway because my family knows my main."
3. **Abbreviations.** SO, MIL, FIL, NTA, YTA, ESH.
4. **An edit.** "Edit: to answer the comments, yes I asked her first."
5. **A TL;DR.** One line at the end for readers who skim.
6. **A question.** End by asking readers what they think.

Tone and length

The tone is how the post feels: **serious**, **funny**, **satirical**, **unsettling** or **wholesome**. Keep it the same from the title to the last line. A **short** post (1 to 2 minutes to read) suits TikTok and Shorts. A **medium** post (3 to 5 minutes) suits most videos. A **long** post (5 to 10 minutes) suits YouTube and podcast readings.

Story video checklist

1. A hook in the title and the first two lines.
2. One clear conflict, told in order.
3. A text-to-speech voice that suits the tone.
4. Background footage and the story as captions.
5. A note that the story is fiction, where the platform asks for one.

Before you share it

Keep it fiction: use made-up names, never real people or real usernames. **Follow the rules**: many subreddits ban made-up stories presented as real, so post generated stories only where fiction is welcome. **Read it out loud**: a line that sounds stiff is easy to hear.

Plan your Reddit story

Fill this in, then write your post on the Reddit Story Generator.

The subreddit, the tone and the length

The situation and the conflict, in one or two sentences

The title, and how the post ends (a question, an edit or a TL;DR)

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