

A world building template for fiction writers

Map



The world your first scene needs

World name

What kind of world this is

Where the story opens

Who holds power

What that power runs on

What is forbidden

What most people believe that is not true

What changed before page one

What an ordinary day costs

Geography and nature

Climate and season

What the land makes difficult

What grows and what is farmed

What lives there that people avoid

The place your scenes happen

Atmosphere

Sensory details

Why it matters

Who is usually here

What it was before

People and power

Purpose

Reputation

Secrets

Who is left out

How power passes

Magic and technology

How it works

Rules

Limits

Cost

Who it affects

Culture and daily life

What people eat, and when

What people wear

What people believe

How the dead are treated

History

The event the rest refers back to

What it changed

Who remembers it wrong

Fill it in, or keep it in Draftly at joinraftly.com, where each of these becomes a Codex entry that opens beside the chapter the character appears in.