

All the Best Stories Start With a Bad Decision

The best stories start with a bad decision. This is a universal truth that applies to all forms of storytelling, from novels to movies to television shows. A bad decision is the catalyst that sets the plot in motion and drives the characters forward. It's the event that makes the story interesting and keeps the reader or viewer engaged.



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There are countless examples of bad decisions that have led to great stories. In the novel *The Great Gatsby*, Jay Gatsby's decision to throw lavish parties in the hopes of winning back Daisy Buchanan is ultimately his unng. In the movie *The Godfather*, Michael Corleone's decision to join the family business leads to a life of violence and crime. And in the television show *Breaking Bad*, Walter White's decision to cook meth in order to

provide for his family leads to a downward spiral of addiction and destruction.

Of course, not all bad decisions lead to tragedy. Sometimes, a bad decision can lead to a positive outcome. In the novel *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, Arthur Dent's decision to hitchhike with Ford Prefect leads to a series of adventures that ultimately save the Earth from destruction. In the movie *Forrest Gump*, Forrest Gump's decision to run across the country leads to a series of life-changing experiences that teach him about the importance of love and friendship.

Whether a bad decision leads to tragedy or triumph, it is always the catalyst for a good story. A bad decision creates conflict, which is the essential ingredient of any good story. Conflict drives the plot forward and keeps the reader or viewer engaged. It is what makes us want to keep reading or watching to see what happens next.

So if you're ever looking for a good story, look for one that starts with a bad decision. It's sure to be a story that will keep you entertained from beginning to end.

Why Do Bad Decisions Make for Good Stories?

There are a few reasons why bad decisions make for good stories. First, bad decisions create conflict. Conflict is the essential ingredient of any good story. It is what drives the plot forward and keeps the reader or viewer engaged. A bad decision can create conflict between characters, between a character and their environment, or even within a character themselves.

Second, bad decisions make characters more relatable. We all make bad decisions from time to time. This makes us more empathetic towards characters who make bad decisions in stories. We can understand their motivations and why they made the choices they did, even if we don't agree with them.

Third, bad decisions can lead to unexpected consequences. This is what makes stories interesting. We want to know what will happen next. We want to see how the characters will react to the consequences of their decisions. Bad decisions can lead to both positive and negative consequences, which makes the story even more unpredictable.

Examples of Bad Decisions in Literature

There are countless examples of bad decisions in literature. Here are a few of the most famous:

- In *Romeo and Juliet*, Romeo and Juliet's decision to elope leads to their tragic deaths.
- In *Macbeth*, Macbeth's decision to murder King Duncan leads to his own downfall.
- In *The Great Gatsby*, Jay Gatsby's decision to throw lavish parties in the hopes of winning back Daisy Buchanan is ultimately his unng.
- In *The Catcher in the Rye*, Holden Caulfield's decision to run away from home leads to a series of misadventures and ultimately to his hospitalization.
- In *To Kill a Mockingbird*, Atticus Finch's decision to defend Tom Robinson leads to his ostracism from the community.

Examples of Bad Decisions in Movies

There are also countless examples of bad decisions in movies. Here are a few of the most famous:

- In *The Godfather*, Michael Corleone's decision to join the family business leads to a life of violence and crime.
- In *Star Wars: Episode IV - A New Hope*, Luke Skywalker's decision to join Obi-Wan Kenobi on a mission to rescue Princess Leia leads to a life of adventure and danger.
- In *The Matrix*, Neo's decision to take the red pill leads to a world of danger and uncertainty.
- In *The Dark Knight*, Harvey Dent's decision to become Two-Face leads to his own downfall and the deaths of many innocent people.
- In *Inception*, Dom Cobb's decision to return to the dream world leads to a dangerous and unpredictable journey.

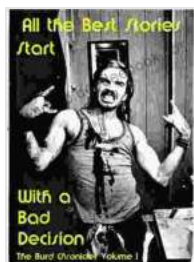
Examples of Bad Decisions in Television Shows

There are also countless examples of bad decisions in television shows. Here are a few of the most famous:

- In *Breaking Bad*, Walter White's decision to cook meth in order to provide for his family leads to a downward spiral of addiction and destruction.
- In *Game of Thrones*, Ned Stark's decision to trust Littlefinger leads to his downfall and the deaths of his family.

- In *The Walking Dead*, Rick Grimes' decision to trust the Governor leads to the deaths of many of his friends.
- In *Stranger Things*, Eleven's decision to open the gate to the Upside Down leads to a series of dangerous and deadly events.
- In *The Crown*, Queen Elizabeth II's decision to marry Prince Philip leads to a life of duty and sacrifice.

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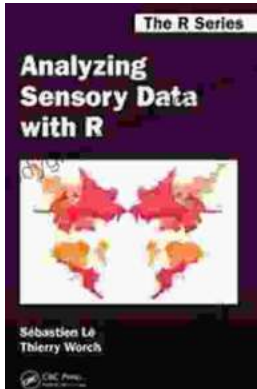
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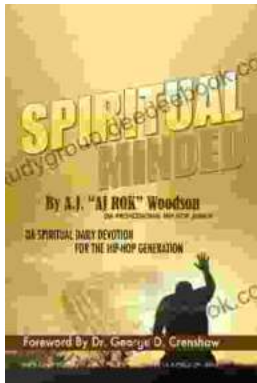
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