A drawing of my story’s shape from beginning, middle, to end:

What is the overall message of the story you want to tell?

What are some themes in the story? What are some specific points you want to make sure to touch on?

What is the conclusion you want the audience to leave with?

What is an opening that reflects the conclusion you want to work toward?

What is the primary conflict? What is the climactic scene in the story that “turns” the trajectory?