





START!
THE LAND OF PERFECT DAY



THE CALL TO ADVENTURE
THE HERO RECEIVES A SIGNAL THAT HE HAS OUTGROWN HIS FORMER LIFE, AND IS BEING SUMMONED TO HIS OR HER NEXT STAGE OF EXISTENCE!

DUDE?
NEG, THIS IS MORPHEUS.
DUDE!!!



FIGHT THE EMPIRE? BUT I WAS GONNA GO TO TOSHI STATION TO PICK UP SOME POWER CONVERTERS!

REFUSAL OF THE CALL
THE HERO HESITATES ON THE THRESHOLD OF CHANGE! GO BACK TO START!



SUPERNATURAL AID
A PROTECTIVE (USUALLY CLERICAL) FIGURE PROVIDES THE HERO WITH THE TOOLS HE NEEDS FOR HIS JOURNEY! ROLL AGAIN!

THE HERO'S JOURNEY



CROSSING OF THE RETURN THRESHOLD
THE HERO HAS BEEN LITERALLY CHANGED BY HIS JOURNEY AND THINGS CAN NEVER GO EXACTLY BACK TO THE WAY THEY WERE... IN MANY WAYS, WALKING BACK THROUGH YOUR OWN DOORWAY IS THE HARDEST TRIP OF ALL!

JESUS, WHY WON'T YOU JUST DIB! THIS MOVIE HAS HAD LIKE TWELVE DIFFERENT ENDINGS ALREADY!!

MAGIC FLIGHT
BUT AT LAST THE HERO IS COMMISSIONED TO RETURN WITH THE DISCOVERED "LUKIN" FOR THE GOOD OF SOCIETY! MOVE 1 SPACE!



ATONEMENT WITH THE FATHER
USING THE HOPE DERIVED FROM THE GODDESS, THE HERO OVERCOMES THE TERROR OF THE FATHER'S EGG-SHATTERING INITIATION!

LUKE, I AM YOUR FATHER.
OH...UH... NEVER MIND...



THE ULTIMATE BOON
SCORRRRRRE! HAVING PASSED THE INITIATION, THE HERO HAS UNLOCKED THE SECRETS OF THE GODS! ROLL AGAIN!

REFUSAL OF THE RETURN
AT FIRST, THE HERO WANTS TO BASK IN THE SUPERNAL ECSTASY OF THE GODS FOREVER! GO BACK TO "ULTIMATE BOON!"

NORMAL IS FOR SUCKERS!
-SIGH!



THE MEETING WITH THE GODDESS
THE TRIUMPHANT HERO-SOUL IS UNITED WITH THE "EARTH MOTHER" OF THE WORLD-SOUL!

THE ROAD OF TRIALS
THE HERO MUST FIGHT BACK THROUGH A GAUNTLET OF EVER-GREATER CHALLENGES! LEAVE THE SQUARE ONLY BY ROLLING A ONE!



CROSSING THE FIRST THRESHOLD
THE HERO MUST OVERCOME THE GUARDIAN OF THE ENTRANCE OF THE ZONE OF MAGNIFIED POWER! LEAVE THIS SQUARE ONLY BY ROLLING A ONE!



THE BELLY OF THE WHALE
THE HERO IS SWALLOWED BY THE UNKNOWN! TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD HE MIGHT AS WELL BE DEAD! LOSE A TURN!

WE'RE SCREENED.

Campbell	<i>Star Wars</i>	<i>The Matrix</i>
I: Departure		
The call to adventure	Princess Leia's message	"Follow the white rabbit"
Refusal of the call	Must help with the harvest	Neo won't climb out window
Supernatural aid	Obi-wan rescues Luke from sand people	Trinity extracts the "bug" from Neo
Crossing the first threshold	Escaping Tatooine	Neo is taken out of the Matrix for the first time
The belly of the whale	Trash compactor	Torture room
II: Initiation		
The road of trials	Lightsaber practice	Sparring with Morpheus
The meeting with the goddess	Princess Leia (wears white, in earlier scripts was a "sister" of a mystic order)	The Oracle
Temptation away from the true path	Luke is tempted by the Dark Side	Cypher (the failed messiah) is tempted by the world of comfortable illusions
Atonement with the Father	Darth and Luke reconcile	Neo rescues and comes to agree (that he's The One) with his father-figure, Morpheus
Apotheosis (becoming god-like)	Luke becomes a Jedi	Neo becomes The One
The ultimate boon	Death Star destroyed	Humanity's salvation now within reach
III: Return		
Refusal of the return	"Luke, come on!" Luke wants to stay to avenge Obi-Wan	Neo fights agent instead of running

The magic flight	Millennium Falcon	"Jacking in"
Rescue from without	Han saves Luke from Darth	Trinity saves Neo from agents
Crossing the return threshold	Millennium Falcon destroys pursuing TIE fighters	Neo fights Agent Smith
Master of the two worlds	Victory ceremony	Neo's declares victory over machines in final phone call
Freedom to live	Rebellion is victorious over Empire	Humans are victorious over machines
Common Mythic Elements		
Two Worlds (mundane and special)	Planetside vs. The Death Star	Reality vs. The Matrix
The Mentor	Obi-Wan Kenobi	Morpheus
The Oracle	Yoda	The Oracle
The Prophecy	Luke will overthrow the Emperor	Morpheus will find (and Trinity will fall for) "The One"
Failed Hero	Biggs	In an early version of the script, Morpheus once believed that Cypher was "The One"
Wearing Enemy's Skin	Luke and Han wear stormtrooper outfits	Neo jumps into agent's skin
Shapeshifter (the Hero isn't sure if he can trust this character)	Han Solo	Cypher
Animal familiar	R2-D2, Chewbacca	N/A
Chasing a lone animal into the enchanted wood (the animal usually gets away)	Luke follows R2 into the Jundland Wastes; The Millennium Falcon follows a lone TIE fighter into range of the Death Star	Neo "follows the white rabbit" to the nightclub where he meets Trinity