

Video Production

Standard Screen formatting for a Screenplay

Script Written in 12 point Courier, Mono spaced Font

- **First Page is the Title Page**
 - Title and By Line
- **Scene Heading or Slug Line**
 - Interior or exterior
 - The scene location
 - Time of day – Night - Day
- **Action Lines**
 - Paragraph form describing the scene setting. Focus on what the audience will be seeing on screen. Four lines or less.
- **Character**
 - Characters are described for the first time in action lines
- **Dialogue**
 - Character names are found above dialogue. Names should be all caps.
 - The abbreviation (V.O.) next to the character name stands for Voice Over
 - The abbreviation (O.S.) next to the character name stands for off screen
- **Parentheticals**

- Usually not used but can be used to describe something that the character is thinking or feeling. Or character positioning
- **Transitions**
 - Used to show how the scene is moving to the next scene;
 - Ex: fade out, cut to, fade in ...
- **Title**
 - If a title is necessary, write TITLE: Then what the Title is
- **Camera Directions**
 - To illustrate the motion of the camera in the scene