

Tension and Suspense Writing Techniques:

1. Don't reveal the 'secret' or 'what is going to happen' ... keep the reader curious...
2. Provide little clues to suggest what is going to happen...
3. Show; Not Tell
4. Word choice - create a 'mood' / 'atmosphere'
5. Character's thoughts, feelings and emotions
6. Rhetorical Questions
7. Punctuation for control ... ! , -
8. Sentences become shorter and shorter - towards the 'big revealing'