***The Lion King***

**Storyboard**

**1**

The Camera is focused on Simba sitting on a rock.

**Simba:** Little roar. Puh!

A lizard walks past Simba. He growls at it.

**Simba:** Rarrr!

The lizard has no reaction to this first attempt. Simba then jumps down and tries again.

**Simba:** …Rrrraowr-nh.

For the third attempt, Simba moves closer again and inhales deeply.

**Simba:** RAOWR!! The lizard skitters off screen.

**Storyboard**

**2**

Simba's roar echoes around the canyon. The echo is soon eclipsed, however, by a low rumble. Simba looks down and sees pebbles jumping. We see the herd coming over the lip of the canyon. The Hyenas are seen chasing the wildebeest herd, nipping at their heels. The Hyenas are driving the wildebeest herd over the edge and down the canyon.  Simba see’s this and takes off in front of the herd as fast as he can looking extremely frightened.

**Storyboard**

**3**

The Camera switches to Mufasa and Zazu at a short distance from the canyon.

**Zazu:** Oh look, sire; The herd is on the move.

**Mufasa:** Odd....

Scar runs up, out of breath.

**Scar:** Mufasa. Quick. Stampede. In the gorge. Simba's down there!

Mufasa: Simba?

**Storyboard**

**4**

Camera switches to Simba. He is running and climbs up a dead tree. Zazu flies ahead of Mufasa and Scar, down into the canyon. He spots Simba.

**Simba:** {Clinging precariously to a tree} Zazu! Help me!!

**Zazu:** Your father is on the way!  Hold on!

**Simba:** {Losing grip} Hurry!

**Storyboard**

**5**

Mufasa and Scar are on the lower ledges of the gorge.  Zazu flies back to Mufasa and points out where Simba is.

**Zazu:** There! There! On that tree!

**Mufasa:** Hold on, Simba!!

In the gully, a wildebeest rams the tree Simba's on, nearly breaking it.

**Simba:** Ahhhh!!! Mufasa runs out into the herd, joining the stampede.

**Storyboard**

**6**

**Zazu:** Oh, Scar, this is awful!  What’ll we do what’ll we do?! Hah ... I'll go back for help, that's what I'll do, I'll go back for he-- oomph! Scar backhands Zazu into a rock wall, knocking him out.

**Storyboard**

**7**

Scar then follows Mufasa's progress from the lip of the gorge, his shadow cast mysteriously from the bottom of the gully. Mufasa runs into the herd of towards Simba's tree. A wildebeest hits Simba's tree, throwing Simba into the air. Mufasa jumps up in time to catch Simba in the air with his mouth.

**Storyboard**

**8**

Mufasa jumps up to a near rock ledge and sets Simba down, but is immediately struck by a wildebeest and carried off into the stampede.

**Simba yells:** DAD!!!

Simba watches in horror as he cannot find his father in the swirling mass of wildebeest below him.

**Storyboard**

**9**

At the last second, Mufasa leaps out of the herd and starts to climb with great difficulty up the loose gravel slope. Simba turns and starts to climb to the top of the gorge. Out of Simba's sight, Mufasa reaches a point right below a ledge where he can't climb due to steepness. His claws are scraping and his back paws have no traction. Above him on the ledge is Scar!

**Storyboard**

**10**

**Mufasa:** Scar! ... Brother {slips, barely hangs on}  ... Help me!

Scar looks disdainfully down, and then suddenly latches onto Mufasa's fore paws with claws extended. Mufasa roars, primarily from the sudden pain of Scar's claws, but no doubt also due to the sudden flash of realization. His expression slowly changes to one of horror as he recognizes Scar's intent.

**Storyboard**

**11**

**Scar:** {Slowly and evilly}  Long  live  the  king!!!

Scar throws his brother backwards. Mufasa free-falls, back first. The camera follows Mufasa down from under him, then from above him, showing the stampede raging below. **Mufasa:** Aaaaaaahh!

**Storyboard**

**12**

Camera suddenly focuses in on Simba, who is watching his father fall and then hit the ground into the wild herd. Mufasa and Simba’s screams mingle. **Simba:** NOOOOOOOO!

**END SCENE**