

# I KNOW DIFFERENT GENRES

Genre	Definition	My Example
Fiction	Fiction is a type of writing based on imagination, and not necessarily on fact.	
Fiction: Mystery	A mystery is a piece of fiction that deals with puzzling events & suspenseful situations. Many mysteries involve characters attempting to solve crimes.	
Fiction: Adventure	Adventure could be either fact or fiction. Adventure usually involves a hero or heroine who pursues, against great obstacles, something noble.	
Fiction: Fantasy	Fantasy (which is another form of fiction) involves characters, situations, or settings that could not exist in life as we know it. Many fantasy books involve magic or other-worldly events.	
Fiction: Science-fiction	Science-fiction uses the influence of science (both real science & imagined science) on real life. It might be set in the future or outer-space.	
Fiction: Historical fiction	Historical fiction is based on imagination (like fiction), but set among actual events or during a specific period of history.	
Fiction: Drama	A play in which different events and characters develop a theme.	
Poetry <i>May be nonfiction</i>	Poetry is a type of writing that uses rhythm, and sometimes rhyme, to communicate ideas & feelings	
Nonfiction: Biography	A biography is an account of someone's life, told by another.	
Nonfiction: Auto-biography	An autobiography is an account of someone's life, told by that person.	
Nonfiction History, science, reports (including news), reference books such as encyclopedias; many museum exhibits are nonfiction explanations of topics	Nonfiction is a type of writing based on fact. It might be based in history or in science.	