

Read Different Kinds of Genres

CCSSR5. Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger parts of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.

Students give—or write—examples of each kind of genre. Then they explain what kinds of strategies and structures a writer uses to write in that genre—and how a reader can figure out what is important when reading that genre.

Literature

Drama	A play in which different events and characters tell a story with
Diama	dialogue. It may be fiction or nonfiction.
Fable	· ·
Fable	A fable tells a story that has a moral—it teaches a lesson. Fables
	have animals in their stories instead of people.
Fantasy	FantasyA kind of fiction that involves characters, situations, or
	settings that could not really happen. Many fantasy stories involve
	magic or impossible events.
Folk Tale	Folk tales are fictional stories handed down by generations and
	represent the ways people lived in a culture and may tell a lesson
	about how to live.
Historical	Historical fiction is based on imagination (like fiction), but set among
Fiction	actual events or during a specific period of history.
Legend	Fictional story that seems possible and takes place in the past. It
	tells about what might have happened, it is believable.
Mystery	A mystery is fiction that deals with puzzling events & suspenseful
	situations. Many mysteries are about solving a crime.
Myth	A myth is fiction that uses supernatural characters to tell a story that
	represents important values of a culture.
Poetry	Poetry is a type of writing that uses rhythm to communicate ideas
	and feelings. There are many different forms of poetry. Some rhyme.
	Many use images to help the reader understand the ideas.
Realistic	Realistic fiction is made up by the writer but is a narrative that could
Fiction	have taken place. The characters and events seem to be real.
Science	Science fiction uses real science and imagined science in a realistic
Fiction	situation. It might be set in the future or space.
Tall Tale	A story that has unbelievable events that is told as if it was real.

Nonfiction

Article or Report	An explanation of a topic.
Autobiography	The narrative of a person's life, told by that person.
Biography	A biography is an account of someone's life, told by another.
History	A history explains a real event with facts.
News report	A description of a real event.
Textbook	A textbook explains ideas and information about a topic.