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category

Genre Study Guide

Bio = life
graph = write

Biography: True story of a real person written by someone who has a great deal of knowledge about the individual.

life

Non-fiction

Auto = self
bio = life
graph = write

Autobiography: A story written about one's own life where the writer is the main character.

author is main characters

Poetry: Plays with sounds and rhythms of words to create images.



Contemporary Realistic Fiction: Characters behave in realistic ways, contains a plot that makes sense, modern day setting is recognizable, and ends with a solution.

new modern

Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Historical Fiction: Characters may be real OR fictional, conflict is evident, and it takes place in a real and definite period in history.

Science Fiction: A story that takes place in the future, may or may not be on Earth, and the problem is solved using scientific data.

Star Trek
?? Star Wars

Mystery: Characters are involved in a basic problem or puzzle containing a realistic setting, clues, and distractions. The story ends with a realistic solution.

Scooby Doo, Nancy Drew

Folk Literature: There is no single author, contains "all good" or "all bad" characters, and is intended to teach a simple lesson.

oral traditions 3 little Pigs

Modern Fantasy: Major events could not actually happen, but the setting is usually realistic. Characters solve the problems by magical strategies, but act in realistic ways.

magic

Harry Potter

Informational Report: Focus and support on specific subject, organizes facts, uses examples, explanations, and descriptions.

textbooks
newspapers

Fiction = fake

non fiction