

Genres of Literature

Directions: Read each definition. Identify the genre being described from the list below.

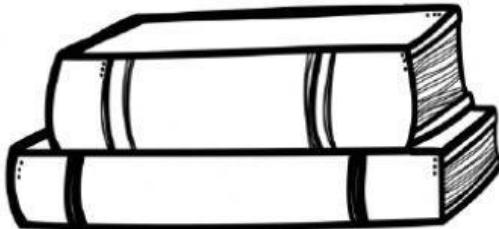
Historical Nonfiction
Historical Fiction
Science Fiction

Informational
Realistic Fiction
Mystery

Play
Humor
Fantasy

1. _____ A story that takes place in the future; it often includes science and technology
2. _____ A story that is written to make readers laugh
3. _____ A story that takes place in the present time; it includes events that *could* happen
4. _____ Writing that is true and factual; it often contains charts, diagrams, & photographs
5. _____ A fictional story that takes place in the past; often the setting is real but the characters are made up
6. _____ A suspenseful story centered around a puzzling event; it includes clues
7. _____ A story that contains events that could *never* happen in real life
8. _____ An informative writing about events that happened in the past
9. _____ A story that is acted out; it contains a script, stage directions, & dialogue

Name _____



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Biography
Autobiography
Fairy Tale

Legend
Folk Tale
Tall Tale

Poetry
Myth
Fable

10. _____ A short story, often with talking animals; used to teach a moral lesson

11. _____ A story written by a person in which he tells about his own life

12. _____ A funny story where characters and events are exaggerated

13. _____ A type of folk tale that often includes magic, fairies, dragons, & a happy ending

14. _____ A story about a person's life written by another person

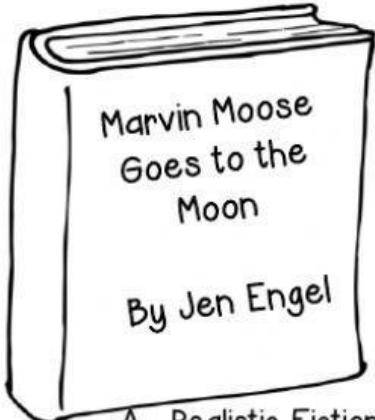
15. _____ Verse written to create a response of thought and feeling in the reader

16. _____ A very old story that often tells how something in the world came to be

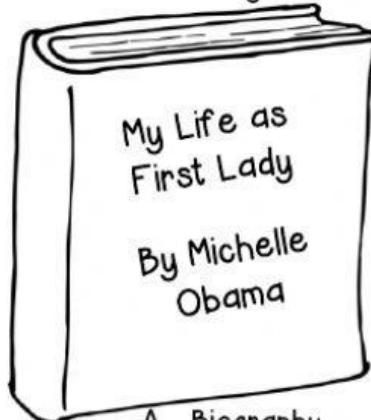
17. _____ A type of folk tale based on a real person or event, but it cannot be proven

18. _____ A type of fiction that includes old stories passed down from generation to generation

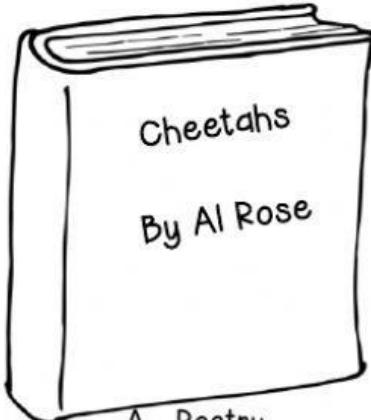
Directions: Read each book title. Circle the correct genre from the list below the book.



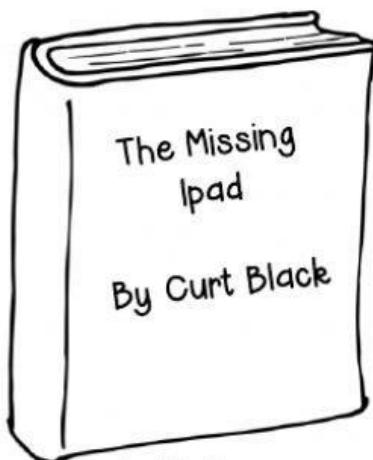
- A. Realistic Fiction
- B. Myth
- C. Biography
- D. Fantasy



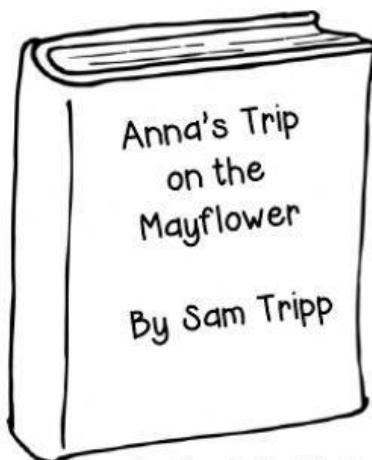
- A. Biography
- B. Autobiography
- C. Historical Fiction
- D. Science Fiction



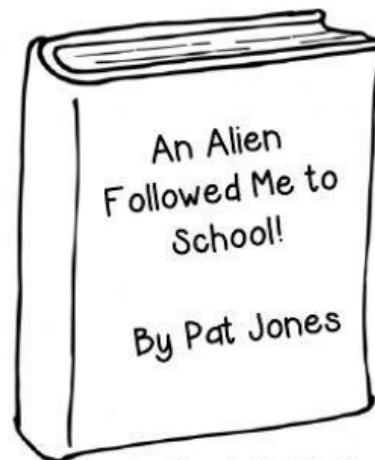
- A. Poetry
- B. Fable
- C. Realistic Fiction
- D. Informational



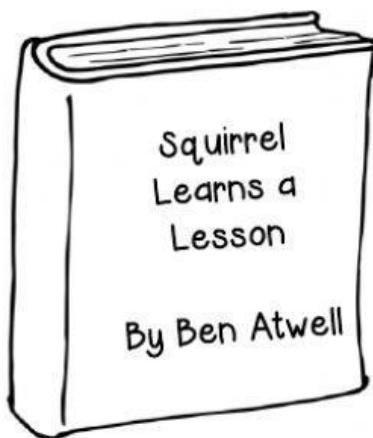
- A. Mystery
- B. Myth
- C. Legend
- D. Historical Nonfiction



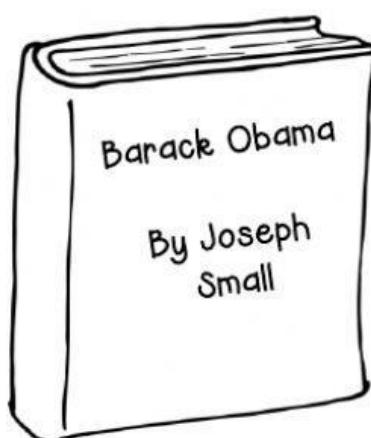
- A. Realistic Fiction
- B. Folk Tale
- C. Historical Fiction
- D. Fantasy



- A. Realistic Fiction
- B. Mystery
- C. Legend
- D. Science Fiction



- A. Legend
- B. Fable
- C. Tall Tale
- D. Fairy Tale



- A. Biography
- B. Autobiography
- C. Humor
- D. Historical Fiction



- A. Informational
- B. Science Fiction
- C. Realistic Fiction
- D. Fairy Tale