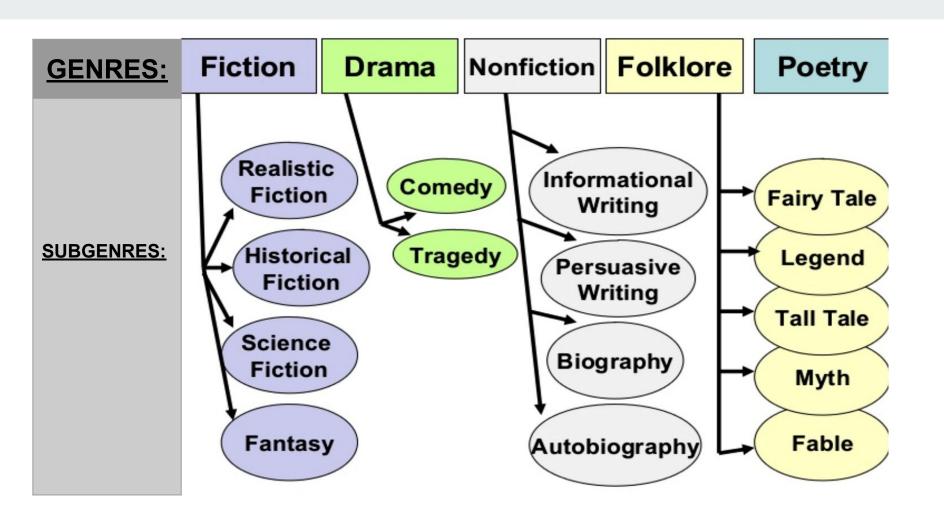
Genres & Subgenres

ESLDO - Unit 4

Genre = Category

All writing falls into a category or genre.

We will use 5 main genres and 15 subgenres.



5 Main Genres

- 1. Nonfiction: writing that is true
- 2. Fiction: imaginative or made up writing
- Folklore: stories once passed down orally
- 4. Drama: a play or script
- Poetry: writing concerned with the beauty of language

Nonfiction Subgenres

- Persuasive Writing: tries to influence the reader
- Informational Writing: explains something
- Autobiography: life story written by oneself
- Biography: Writing about someone else's life

Latin Roots

Auto = Self Bio = Life Graphy = Writing

Folklore Subgenres (continued)

Fairytale: has magic and/or talking animals.

- Often starts with "Once upon a time..."
- Like fantasy but much older
- Often has a human main character
- Fables also have talking animals, but fables are VERY short

What are Dramas?

Stories written in script form. Example

Teacher: Everyone take notes.

Student A: I don't have a pen.

Drama Subgenres

Comedy: has a happy ending.

Tragedy: ends in death and sadness.

Review

Nonfiction: persuasive writing, informational writing, autobiography, and biography

Fiction: historical fiction, science fiction, realistic fiction, and fantasy

Folklore: myth, legend, tall tale, fairy tale, and fable

Drama: comedy and tragedy

Poetry: many subgenres we will not study...

Guess the Genre and Subgenere...

Your Science Textbook

Your science textbook contains much of the human knowledge of Earth and the universe.

Write the genre and subgenre on your paper.

Your science textbook is: Genre = Nonfiction Subgenre = Informational Writing

They Came from the Sun by Tom Mitchell

The story of a race of aliens that come to enslave the residents of Earth with their advanced weaponry. Only one teacher can stop them, but is it too late?

Write the **genre** and **subgenre** on your paper.

"They came from the sun" is: Genre = Fiction Subgenre = Science Fiction

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by J.K. Rowling

The first book in the Harry Potter series. Harry goes to wizard school and becomes a Gryffindor. He learns to play quidditch, a soccer like game played on flying broomsticks, and he fights an evil within the school with his newfound magic powers.

"Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone" is:

Genre = Fiction Subgenre = Fantasy

"Dogs and Cats" by Bob Brady

A five paragraph essay where the student Bob Brady compares and contrasts dogs and cats. He provides a lot of information about both.

Write the **genre** and **subgenre** on your paper.

"Dogs and Cats" is: Genre = Nonfiction Subgenre = Informational Writing