

Genres at a Glance

FICTION: novels, novellas, short stories		
CODE	GENRE	DEFINITION
F	FANTASY	Made up stories that have some elements that could not be true or could not happen in this world (e.g., fairies, talking animals).
SF	SCIENCE FICTION	A type of fantasy that uses science and technology (e.g., robots, time machines, space travel).
RF	REALISTIC FICTION	Stories that can be true to life but are mostly from the author's imagination.
HF	HISTORICAL FICTION	Stories that take place in the past and are from the author's imagination. They have some truth in them.
A	ADVENTURE/ SURVIVAL	Stories where the main character(s) goes on amazing adventures on land or at sea and overcomes obstacles, It's action... it's adventure.
M	MYSTERY	Stories where the main character(s) have a mystery to solve.
H	HORROR	Stories that aim to frighten and include elements such as ghosts, werewolves, etc.
NON FICTION: (ALSO LETTERS, JOURNALS, ESSAYS, SPEECHES...)		
B	BIOGRAPHY	The author tells a story of another real person's life.
AB	AUTOBIOGRAPHY	The person tells the story of his/her own life.
I	INFORMATIONAL	Texts that provide factual information to the readers
MEM	MEMOIR	The author uses vivid detail about an experience or a part of his/her life