

# READING GENRES

## REALISTIC FICTION



a story that is **made up**, but **could happen** in real life

## HISTORICAL FICTION



a fiction story that portrays a **certain time period** or event in the **past**

## FANTASY



a story with **unrealistic elements**, such as **magic** or **talking animals**

## SCIENCE FICTION



a type of **fantasy** story that uses **science** and **technology** (ex. aliens, robots...)

## MYSTERY



a **suspenseful** story where a **puzzling event** is finally solved by the end

## TRADITIONAL LITERATURE



a story that is **passed down** from one group to another **over time**  
*(fairy tales, folktales, myths, legends)*

## BIOGRAPHY



a **true account** of a real person's life **written by another person**

## AUTOBIOGRAPHY



a **true account** of a real person's life **written by that person**

## INFORMATIONAL



a text that gives **facts** about a **topic**

## POETRY



a collection of lines of words that express an emotion or idea, often with a certain meaning, rhythm, or sound