

Genres (Sample Reference List for Grades 5–8)

- action-adventure
- alternative history
- antiwar novel
- autobiography
- biography
- classic
- comic novel
- contemporary realistic fiction
- diary
- dystopian science fiction
- epic poem
- epistolary novel
- essay anthology or collection
- family saga
- fantasy
- flash-fiction anthology or collection
- free-verse memoir or novel
- gothic novel
- graphic history, journalism, or memoir
- graphic novel
- historical fiction
- history
- horror
- humorous essays
- instructional guide
- journalism
- law novel
- legend
- magical realism
- manga
- memoir
- mystery: plot or psychological
- mythology
- new journalism
- paranormal fiction
- parody
- philosophy
- play script
- poetry anthology or collection
- post-apocalyptic sci fi
- punk fairy tale
- retelling/recasting
- romance
- science
- science fiction
- series novel
- short story anthology or collection
- sports novel
- spy novel
- steam punk novel
- supernatural
- techno-thriller
- thriller
- Western