

# Module 1: Tools for Success

## Topic 1 Content: Literary Genres Notes

### Introduction

**Literary Genres**

**POETRY**  
Defined by the author and generally bends the rules of conventional writing

**PROSE**  
Follows ordinary language

**DRAMA**  
Meant to be acted before an audience

**Introduction**  
Organizing, comparing, and contrasting allows for a better understanding of each piece of literature. Furthermore, each literary genre can be separated into smaller categories called sub-genres, just like the games in the store. In this interactivity, click on each of the spinning circles on the literary genres to learn about their sub-genres.

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**Narrative**

**Literary Genres**

**Narrative**  
A longer poem that tells a story and includes the elements of a story like characters, plot, and setting

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Lyric

Literary Genres

**POETRY**  
written by the author and rules writing

**LYRIC**  
A shorter poem in which the speaker expresses feelings or thoughts

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Epic

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**Epic**  
A long narrative poem that details the deeds of a legendary hero

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### Fiction

**Literary Genres**

**POETRY**

**Fiction**  
Any narrative work involving imaginary elements. Narrative can include factual events or people, but the plot is “made up”

Examples of narrative include:

- Short Stories, which are shorter, more concentrated fictional prose
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Nonfiction

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**NONFICTION**  
Literature that deals with real people, places, events, and objects

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**Comedy**

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**Comedy**  
A play meant to entertain and amuse the audience

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**Tragedy**

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Tragedy  
A play that deals with death and destruction and the sorrow that follows

A play that deals with death and destruction and the sorrow that follows