

The Key Features of Story Genres

| Genre | Definition (What does that mean?) | Key Features |
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| Adventure | An adventure story is.... _____ _____ | |
| Traditional Tale | A traditional tale is.... _____ _____ | |
| Fantasy | A fantasy story is.... _____ _____ | |
| Science Fiction | A science fiction story is.... _____ _____ | |
| Horror | A horror story is... _____ _____ | |
| Mystery | A mystery story is... _____ _____ | |

The main character tries to solve the crime. Clues are found to help with solving the mystery, though some clues are found to lead us away from the truth and surprise us at the end.

Elements of surprise and shock. Detailed descriptions to create a scary atmosphere.

These stories are often set in the future and scientific discoveries are usually the inspiration for the advanced technology that is mentioned in them

A battle might be fought. 'Goodies' against 'Baddies'.

A whole other world with fantastical creatures and magic.

Begin with 'Once upon a time...'. Love and magic are common themes. Ending is usually '...happily ever after.'