

WHAT IS A NARRATIVE?

Kinds of Narratives

Any kind of story is considered a **narrative**. It can be a story about when you lost your dog, a story with time travelers and robots, a story of when the first human landed on the moon, or a story about a wizard school with unicorns and dragons.

Creating a map of narrative genres will help you understand all of the different possible kinds of stories and how they are similar and different. Use the terms below to complete the **narrative genre web**.

1. Make a circle in the middle of your paper, and write **NARRATIVES** inside.
2. Create two circles that branch off of the center circle, and write **FICTION** on one and **NONFICTION** on the other.
3. Look at each of the terms below. For each one, decide whether it falls under fiction or nonfiction. Then, then create a circle for it that branches off of the correct one.

Personal Stories

Science Fiction

Realistic Fiction

Historical Fiction

History

Fantasy

Current Events/News

4. Now, think about the terms MEMOIR, BIOGRAPHY, and AUTOBIOGRAPHY. Decide which circle you think they should branch from. Then, create new circles for each one.

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