

# Midyear Review: Genre Characteristics

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## Understanding Literary Genres

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Answer the following questions based on what you learned about literary genres.

1. Which genre is known for imaginary worlds and magical elements?

- A. Realistic Fiction
- B. Fantasy
- C. Poetry

2. What are two key characteristics of adventure stories?

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3. Realistic fiction includes characters and settings that could exist in real life.

- True       False

4. Poetry often uses \_\_\_\_\_ language to express emotions.

5. Why might an author choose to write in poetry instead of prose?

- A. To convey emotions more effectively
- B. To tell a longer story
- C. To create a realistic setting

6. How does understanding different genres help you as a reader?

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7. Adventure stories typically focus on relationships between characters.

- True       False

8. In \_\_\_\_\_ fiction, the characters and events are believable and could happen in real life.

9. What is one characteristic that sets fantasy apart from other genres?

- A. It must be based on true events
- B. It includes magical elements
- C. It has a simple plot

10. What did you learn about how genre impacts story structure?

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Answer Key

1. Fantasy 2. Adventure stories often have action-driven plots and challenges that characters must overcome. 3. True 4. rhythmic 5. To convey emotions more effectively 6. Understanding genres helps me know what to expect in a story and enhances my appreciation for different writing styles. 7. False 8. realistic 9. It includes magical elements 10. Different genres have unique structures, like how poetry uses stanzas, while adventure stories often have a rising action leading to a climax.