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## Science Fiction

**Example:** "Thank you," he said with a soft smile to the salesgirl as she handed him his brand-new state-of-the-art personal computer-the world was now quite literally at the tips of his fingers. And that was the last time he ever spoke to or saw another human being.

- Futuristic       Deals with technology       Involves space or aliens

## Historical Fiction

**Example:** "A conflict in Vietnam? I don't even know where Vietnam is!" he said with a laugh as he lit his draft card on fire and flicked it into the trash bin.

- Historical time period       Historical event       Historical figure

## Horror

**Example:** "And again, that's why ghosts don't make any sense and are a ridiculous thing for us to waste our breath on," she said, looking at me expectantly after finishing her speech for the tenth time tonight. It was hard for me to take her seriously when I could see right through her face.

- Scary       Unsettling       Involves the dead



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## Fantasy

**Example:** A brilliant red orb the size of a softball floated in through his open bedroom window and came to a stop at the foot of his bed, making his comforter appear to be on fire. We don't have all night, a voice echoed inside of his confused skull, are you ready to do this or not?

- Invented world                       Magic                       Different laws of nature

## Realistic Fiction

**Example:** A few weeks ago, the happiest man I'd ever seen grinning ear-to-ear came into my shop and bought a cartful of baby clothes and toys. Today, the same man, eyes downcast and hushed, returned everything.

- Modern setting                       Realistic characters                       Relatable

## Drama

**Example:**

**Man:** (Man can be seen sitting with a cup out for spare change, his eyes downcast, like he's deep in some deep, sad thoughts) **Any help is appreciated.**

**Woman:** (Woman stops, does a double take, hesitates, then her face lights up) **Jordan?**

- Dialogue                       Stage direction