# Genre and Subgenre Quiz

**Directions:** Match the definitions to the terms.

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| 1. Authors of stories in this genre are often “retelling” the story. It may say “adapted by,” “retold by,” or the author may be “unknown” | a. Fiction  
 |   | b. Nonfiction  
 |   | c. Folklore  
 | 2. Most stories fall into this genre, which means that the text is made-up or a product of the imagination | d. Drama  
 |   | e. Poetry  
 | 3. The two subgenres of this main genre include tragedies and comedies |   |
| 4. Writing that is “true,” factual, informative, or persuasive |   |
| 5. Stories that could actually happen but didn’t | a. Science Fiction  
 |   | b. Historical Fiction  
 |   | c. Nonfiction  
 | 6. Stories with magic, monsters, superpowers, or other things that do not exist in reality | d. Realistic Fiction  
 |   | e. Fantasy  
 | 7. Stories with aliens, advanced technology, or futuristic weaponry |   |
| 8. Fictional stories based on or around important people or events from the past |   |
| 9. Stories that usually take place in the Wild West; the main character’s strength, skills, or size are greatly exaggerated in a humorous way | a. Fable  
 |   | b. Tall Tale  
 |   | c. Fairy Tale  
 | 10. Very short stories with talking animals and a moral | d. Myth  
 |   | e. Legend  
 | 11. Stories with gods and/or goddesses that usually account for the creation of something |   |
| 12. Stories with magic and/or talking animals, usually have a human main character and start with “once upon a time” |   |
| 13. When someone writes their own life story, it falls into this genre: | a. Historical Fiction  
 |   | b. Biography  
 |   | c. Informational Writing  
 |   | d. Autobiography  
 | 14. Your science textbook falls into this subgenre: | a. Persuasive Writing  
 |   | b. Historical Fiction  
 |   | c. Informational Writing  
 |   | d. Science Fiction  
 | 15. Your social studies or history book falls into this subgenre: | a. Persuasive Writing  
 |   | b. Historical Fiction  
 |   | c. Informational Writing  
 |   | d. Science Fiction  
