

Genres⁶

ad	dialog	lab report	op-ed piece	review
adventure	diary entry	law	out-takes	• book
advice column	dictate	lease	outline	• play
allegory	directions	legal document	paper dolls	• article
alternate ending	documentary	lesson plan	parable/allegory	rhetorical analysis
anagram/acronym	donor card	lessons learned	parody	riddle
analysis	double entry journal entry	letter:	pastiche	satire (Onion article)
anecdote	double entry bookkeeping	• business	pattern	screed
architectural drawings	drawing	• “Dear Abby”	photograph	(Hunter Thompson)
art review	electronic journalism	• “Dear John”	photo album	script
artwork	email	• recommendation	picture	scroll
autobiography	ecomium	• rejection	play (short)	self-help book
bibliography	epic poem	• of complaint	play	sentencing report
bibliography (annotated)	epitaph	• to editor	poetry ³	sermon
billboard	essay	• friendly	police radio call	shopping list
blog	• academic	• to public official	police report	short story
blurb	• personal		political speech	skit
book jacket/cover	• critical		political ad	software documentation
book review	eulogy		postcard	songs ⁴
brief	executive order		poster	sonnet
brochure	fairy tale		presidential order	speech
bumper sticker	family tree		press release	status report
caption for photo or illustration	fantasy		print news article	statute
cartoon	fast write		proclamation	stream of consciousness
CD liner notes	fiction		project initiation document	street/traffic sign
character analysis	field notes		project plan	story
chart/graph	film		project proposal	summary
check	flyer		prophecy/prediction	summons
checkbook register	folk tale		proposal for research	talk show transcript
collage	found poetry		proposal	tattoo
comic strip	games		prose poetry	technical report
commentary	Gantt chart		proverb	telegram
commercial	gossip column		psalm	telephone conversation
complaint	graffiti		public records	television broadcast ⁵
computer program	grant		public service	text
Congressional report	graph/chart		announcement	text book
contract	greeting card		puppet show script	thank you note
costume	grocery list		puzzle	timeline
cover letter	haiku		question & answer	toast
cowboy poem	“how-to” guide		questionnaire	twitter/tweet
criticism	instant message		quiz	video game
crossword puzzle	instructions		radio show	vignette
customer/client survey	interview		ransom note	wanted poster
CV	invitation		rap	webpage
death threat	jeremiad		receipt	website
debate	job application		recipe	white paper
deed	joke		reflection	word cloud
definition	journal		research report	word search
diagram	journal article (scholarly)		response	yarn
	judicial opinion		resume	
		novel ²		
		obituary (death notice)		
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¹ movie: thriller, western, sci-fi, action, romantic comedy

² literary, Harlequin, sci-fi, western, romance, mystery, action/adventure, biography, realist, surrealist, aurealist (B. Knott), pastiche

³ haiku, sonnet, “workshop poem,” mock epic, greater romantic lyric, cowboy poetry, limerick, villanelle, clerihew, ghazal, psalm, ode, pastiche

⁴ country, metal, punk, rock, showtune, theme song

⁵ game show, sitcom, news, reality tv show, crime procedural, drama

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