

Exploring Different Text Genres in English

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Genre 1 – Short Story

"Lily found a small key in her garden. She didn't know what it opened, but she decided to keep it in her pocket. Later, she found a small wooden box hidden under the old tree. The key fit perfectly. Inside the box, she found a letter that said, 'Follow your dreams.'"

Questions:

1. Where did Lily find the key?
2. What did Lily find under the old tree?
3. What was written in the letter?

Short stories tell us a complete tale in just a few paragraphs.



Genre 2 – Recipe

Easy Banana Pancakes

Ingredients:

- 1 banana
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup milk

Steps:

1. Mash the banana.
2. Mix the banana with eggs, flour, and milk.
3. Heat a pan and pour the mix.
4. Cook for 2–3 minutes on each side. Enjoy!

Questions:

1. How many eggs do you need?
2. What do you do first?
3. How long do you cook each side?

Recipes give us instructions to make food.



Genre 3 – Opinion Article

Why Reading Every Day Is Important

Reading every day helps us learn new words and ideas. It can reduce stress and help us relax. In my opinion, reading should be part of our daily routine, even if it is only for 15 minutes a day.

Questions:

1. What are two benefits of reading every day?
2. How many minutes does the author suggest reading each day?
3. Do you agree with the author? Why or why not?

Opinion articles share someone's point of view.





Genre 4 – Advertisement

Keep Your Coffee Hot!

Are you tired of cold coffee?

Try our new thermal mug that keeps your coffee hot for 8 hours!

Available now in three colors.

Free shipping if you order today!

Visit our website now!

Questions:

1. What does the product do?
2. How many colors are available?
3. What is the special offer mentioned?

Advertisements try to persuade you to buy something.

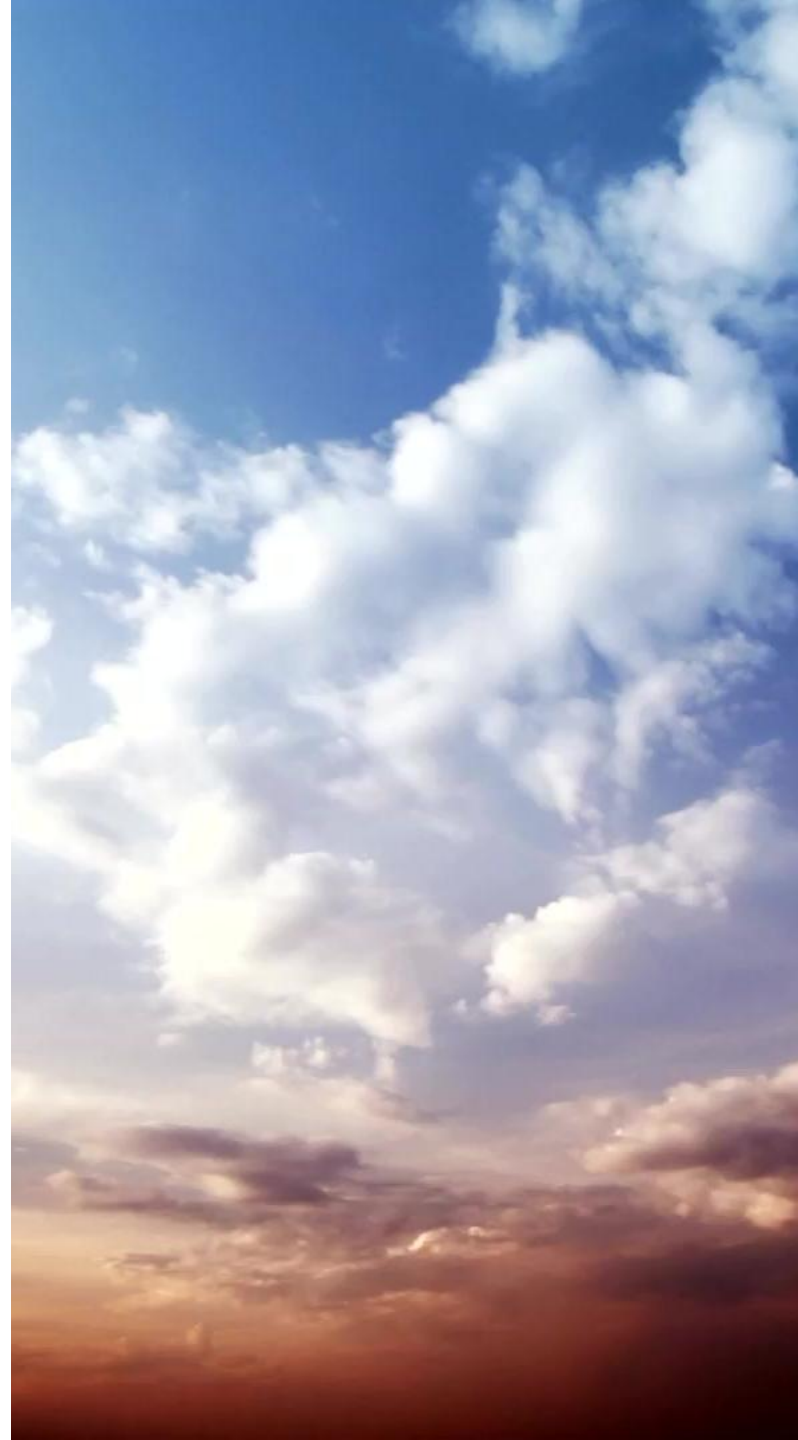
Genre 5 – Poem

The sky is blue,
The trees are green,
The sun is bright,
A peaceful scene.

Questions:

1. What color is the sky in the poem?
2. What color are the trees?
3. How does the poem make you feel?

Poems often use rhyme, rhythm, and imagery.



Activity – Class Discussion

Let's talk!

- Which genre did you enjoy the most? Why?
- Which one was the easiest for you to understand?
- Would you like to write a short text in one of these genres?

Turn and talk with a partner or share your ideas with the group.

Writing Challenge

Now it's your turn!

Choose a genre and write a short example:

- A short story (2–3 sentences)
- A simple recipe
- A short opinion paragraph
- A mini-ad for a fun product
- A 4-line poem