IDENTIFYING LITERARY GENRES

- A literary genre is a particular style of a written or an oral text, which has a very clear aim or objective.

There are **FOUR** main types of Literary Genres:

- Poetry
- Drama
- Fiction
- Non-Fiction

Each Literary Genre may have different types of subgenres (a genre within another one).

**TASK**

In pairs, match the following bubbles including literary genres and subgenres with the definitions below.

……….. The two subgenres of this main genre include tragedies and comedies.

……….. Writing that is true, factual, informative, or persuasive.
Most of the stories fall into this genre, which means that the text is made-up or a product of imagination.

Very short stories with talking animals and a moral.

Stories with gods and goddesses that usually account for the creation of something.

Stories with magic and/or talking animals, usually have a human main character and start with “once upon a time”.

Stories that are based on real facts but include imaginary events or characters.

Stories that could actually happen but didn’t.

Stories with magic, monsters, superpowers, or other things that do not exist in reality.

Stories with aliens, advanced technology, or futuristic weaponry.

A collection of words which express a specific feeling or idea with a specific rhythm.

**How much do you know?**

- Your social studies or history textbook falls into this subgenre:
  - a. Persuasive Writing
  - b. Historical Fiction
  - c. Informational Writing
  - d. Science Fiction

- When someone writes their own life story, it falls into this genre:
  - a. Historical Fiction
  - b. Autobiography
  - c. Informational Writing
  - d. Biography