

# GENRE task cards

2nd & 3rd GRADE



**Answer Sheet**

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**Determine Genre Challenge**

Sort the cards by genres. Underline the clues that help you determine the genre. Sometimes, a text can be more than one genre. Find the cards that could be labeled as multiple genres.

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- 2.
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# Ways to Use Task Cards

1. **Centers**
2. **Scoot:** Pass out one card for each student. Set a timer and say, “scoot!” when the timer goes off. Students move seats to the next card. They continue to rotate until they are back at their original seat.
3. **Scavenger Hunt:** Hide cards around the room. Students search for cards and answer them.
4. **Jenga:** Number Jenga blocks. Students stack the blocks, then take turns pulling blocks. Students answer the corresponding number card.
5. **Whole class practice:** Teacher displays card on the projector. Students answer on mini white boards.
6. **Exit Tickets:** Give each student a task card at the end of the lesson. Have them answer on a sticky note.



## 1. Determine Genre



The beach is the area that is on the shoreline. It is between the land and the ocean. The beach is covered with sand. On the sand and under the sand are many things to discover. There are shells on the sand. The shells are many different shapes and sizes. Under the sand, you might find very small crabs. There are birds that land on the sand and try to find the crabs and other food to eat.

In the ocean, there is sea life, including plants and animals. There are fish, dolphins, sharks and whales. There is also coral and sea grass. The beach is a fun and interesting place to visit.

What is the genre of this passage?



## 2. Determine Genre



Blake went to get his favorite book to read before bed, but it wasn't in his bookcase. He called his mom, "Mom! My favorite book is missing! Do you know where it is?"

Mom said she didn't know where it was, but she would help him try to find it. Blake looked on the kitchen table, but it wasn't there.

Mom said, "Maybe it's on the couch."

They looked on the couch, and they found another book, but not his favorite book. Blake was starting to get upset because he couldn't go to sleep without reading his book. He went to say goodnight to his dad and brother, and he found them reading in his brother's bed. They were reading his favorite book!

"I've been looking everywhere for that book!"

His brother apologized, "I'm sorry, I borrowed it before bed."

Blake replied, "That's okay. Just please ask next time."

What is the genre of this passage?



## 3. Determine Genre



The bells rang in the high tower. The bells were a warning that the birds were coming. The fairies all hid in their flower homes and closed all the windows.

Princess Grace was out collecting seeds and did not hear the bells. She looked up and saw a hawk soaring low over her head. She was frightened and ran to hide under a mushroom. The bird landed on the ground and was pecking around the ground.

Princess Grace needed to find a way out and make her way back to the fairy village. She was smart and speedy, so she took her basket of seeds and threw it into the water. When the hawk flew to the water to see what the noise was, Princess Grace darted in the other direction. As she flew, she stayed low to the ground. She made it back to the village and was safe and sound.

What is the genre of this passage?



## 4. Determine Genre



Whoosh! Dennis zoomed down the mountain on his skis as fast as he could. He twisted and turned around trees, jumped over small hills, and flew into the air. He was going to win the big race. No one was ahead of him, and he could see the finish line.

Suddenly, out of the corner of his eye, Dennis saw a blue jacket coming up from behind him. He started to get nervous. He bent down low and gave himself a big push with his poles, but the skier in the blue jacket was faster and was now in the lead.

Dennis knew he had to do something to pull ahead. He saw a small hill ahead. He knew that if he could hit a big jump, then he would win the race. He dashed to the hill and lifted his skis into the air. He soared in the wind. When he landed, he was just ahead of the other skier as he crossed the finish line by only a nose. Phew, what was a close one!

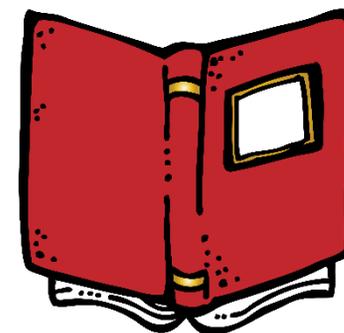
What is the genre of this passage?

# Answer Key

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1.	Nonfiction
2.	Mystery
3.	Fantasy
4.	Action/Adventure
5.	Science Fiction
6.	Realistic Fiction
7.	Historical Fiction
8.	Biography
9.	Realistic Fiction
10.	Fantasy
11.	Nonfiction
12.	Science Fiction
13.	Mystery
14.	Action/Adventure
15.	Nonfiction

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16.	Action/Adventure
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18.	Historical Fiction
19.	Realistic Fiction
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25.	Fantasy
26.	Science Fiction
27.	Action/Adventure
28.	Mystery
29.	Historical Fiction
30.	Action/Adventure

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31.	Realistic Fiction
32.	Biography
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34.	Science Fiction
35.	Mystery
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37.	Realistic Fiction
38.	Nonfiction
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40.	Historical Fiction



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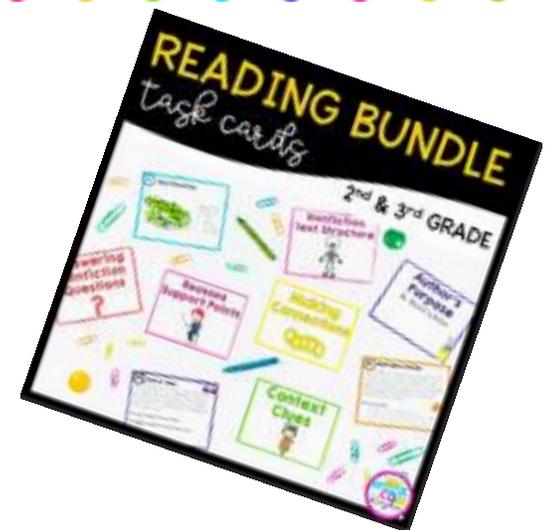
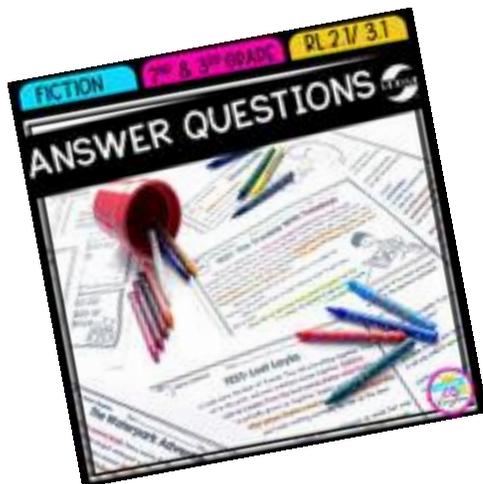


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