

# GENRE FEATURES POSTER PACK

EVERY GENRE HAS **PURPOSE**. EVERY GENRE HAS **FEATURES**.

## NARRATIVE



**Purpose:**  
To entertain and engage.

- Orientation
- Complication
- Events in sequence
- Resolution
- Characters
- Setting
- Dialogue
- Descriptive language

## INFORMATION REPORT



**Purpose:**  
To inform about a topic.

- General statement
- Classification
- Description
- Facts and details
- Technical vocabulary
- Diagrams, charts, images
- Concluding statement

## EXPLANATION



**Purpose:**  
To explain how or why something happens.

- General statement
- Sequenced steps
- Cause and effect
- Time connectives (e.g. *first, next, then, finally*)
- Diagrams or models

## PERSUASIVE TEXT



**Purpose:**  
To persuade or convince.

- Strong opinion
- Reasons and evidence
- Emotive language
- Rhetorical questions
- Logical arguments
- Call to action

## RECOUNT



**Purpose:**  
To retell events or experiences.

- Orientation (who, what, where, when)
- Events in time order
- Personal voice
- Past tense
- Concluding comment

## PROCEDURE



**Purpose:**  
To instruct how to do something.

- Goal
- Materials
- Numbered steps
- Imperative verbs
- Time connectives
- Diagrams or photos

## DISCUSSION



**Purpose:**  
To present different sides of an issue.

- Issue or topic statement
- Arguments for
- Arguments against
- Evidence
- Linking words (e.g. *however, therefore*)
- Conclusion

## SPOKEN TEXT



**Purpose:**  
To present ideas or tell a story aloud.

- Greeting
- Clear structure
- Spoken vocabulary
- Tone of voice
- Pauses and emphasis
- Audience awareness
- Conclusion

## POETRY



**Purpose:**  
To express ideas and feelings creatively.

- Line breaks
- Stanzas
- Imagery
- Figurative language (e.g. *simile, metaphor*)
- Rhythm and sound devices
- Theme



### REMEMBER:

- ✓ Identify the **purpose**.
- ✓ Look for the **features**.
- ✓ Use your knowledge to **read, write** and **create**.

GENRE KNOWLEDGE  
MAKES YOU  
A STRONGER READER  
AND WRITER.

