

Forms and Purposes

Apply In:

- Leveled Book: *What a Week!*
- Leveled Book: *Chinese New Year*

1 Reteach

Display a variety of texts and invite children to come to a "Book Fair." Encourage children to look at the various texts and tell why they might read each one. Ask questions to prompt discussion:

- ▶ Is this a true story or a made-up story?
- ▶ Does this news report give you facts?
- ▶ How does this poem make you feel?

Identify each item by genre. Then say: **Each of these has a different purpose. The purpose of a fiction book is to tell a story. The purpose of a nonfiction book is to give facts and information.**

Then display and discuss this chart:

Forms	Purposes
fiction	tells a story
nonfiction	gives information
poem	gives feelings

Materials

- variety of texts: poem, fiction, nonfiction, news report, fantasy, textbook, etc.

2 Practice with a Partner

Have partners review the texts and choose one book. They should tell their partner what kind of book it is and why they would read it.

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3 Apply

Distribute copies of the **Literary Forms and Purposes Bookmark**. Explain that children should refer to the Bookmark as they read. After reading, have children identify the literary form and purpose of each book. Use the **Multi-Level Strategies** to support them.

INTERMEDIATE

Have children identify the literary forms. Ask: **Which book is nonfiction?** (*Chinese New Year*) **Which book is fiction?** (*What a Week!*) **How do you know?** Then have children discuss the purpose of each form: **Why might you read each of these books?**

ADVANCED

After children identify the literary form of each book and discuss its purpose, have them tell what makes the books different. For example, they may say: *Chinese New Year has facts and photos of real things. What a Week! has drawings, characters, and dialogue.*

Record children's ideas in a chart.

Title	Form	Purpose
<i>What a Week!</i>	fiction	to tell a story
<i>Chinese New Year</i>	nonfiction	to give information

Encourage children to add additional titles to the chart.

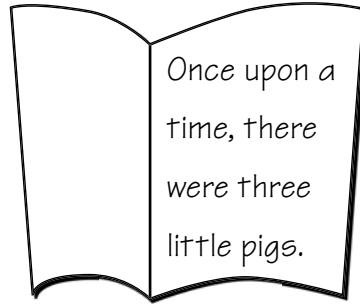
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Have children name several literary forms and tell the purpose of each.

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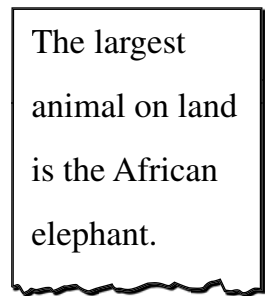
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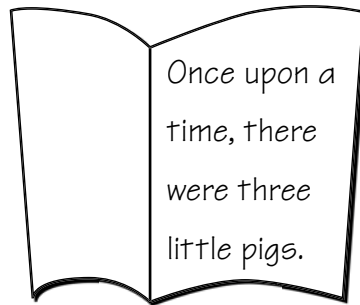
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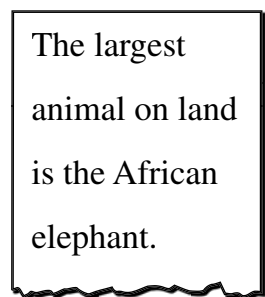
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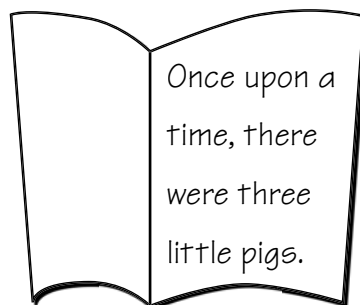
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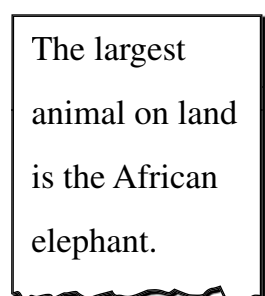
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