

Genre and Subgenre Practice #4**Text Structure #5**

- Directions:**
- Read the descriptions of the texts.
 - Write the genre and subgenre on the lines.
 - Write a sentence explaining your answer about the genre and subgenre.

1. *Live Wire* by Chris Crispin

Chris Crispin served in the military field of Improvised Explosive Device Disposal during the Iraq War. In other words Crispin was responsible for defusing and disposing bombs. In this text Crispin shares his real life experiences with readers and tells the true story of his time during the war. This text is best described in one word: explosive.

Genre: _____ Subgenre: _____

Explain your answer

2. *Radioactive Adolescent Samurai Frogs* by Max Morton

In this modern graphic novel, scientists are testing the effects of radiation on a group of frogs when an earthquake allows them to escape. The frogs hide in a septic tank where a possum named Master Thorn teaches them the way of the Samurai. Master Thorn names the frogs after classic Greek thinkers and soon Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle use their Samurai abilities to fight crime and maintain justice. When they are not protecting the city, the Samurai frogs are eating oddly flavored tacos (like peanut butter and anchovies) in their septic tank and learning life lessons from Master Thorn.

Genre: _____ Subgenre: _____

Explain your answer

3. *We All Scream for Ice Cream* by Sidney Gerber

Sidney shares some of her favorite ice cream recipes in this specialty cookbook. Learn how to make such flavors as double chocolate fudge slide, triple lemon freeze, and vanilla. Never made ice cream before? Don't worry. Sidney's got you covered. This text gives readers specific instructions and photographs of the process. A must have for ice cream aficionados and casual enthusiasts alike.

Genre: _____ Subgenre: _____

Explain your answer

4. *Rebound: The Recovery of Todd Kinney* by Bob Roberts

Todd is a superstar athlete who injures his leg during a pivotal moment and loses his college scholarship. Soon he is abandoned by his friends and falls into a deep depression, but his family remains with him. As Todd works on his physical therapy, he decides that he wants to become a doctor. Todd faces many obstacles and struggles, but he overcomes all. A compelling narrative about a character that falls off the path but learns to walk again.

Genre: _____ Subgenre: _____

Explain your answer

5. *Put a Stake in It* (the fourth book in the *Sunset* series) by Denise Rutherford

Chrissie is in love with Blake, a vampire who goes to her high school, but Blake doesn't even know that she exists. Chrissie tries to get Blake's attention in a variety of ways, including wearing a string of garlic on her neck. This only makes Blake think that she smells like garlic. But when Vince, a swamp monster who's in love with Chrissie, begins teaching her how to get to a vampire's heart, Chrissie starts sharpening wooden stakes. Readers will stay on the edge of their seats trying to figure out how this bizarre love triangle will conclude.

Genre: _____ Subgenre: _____

Explain your answer

Text Structure Directions:

1. Read each of the following paragraphs.
2. On a separate piece of paper, identify the text structure for each of the following paragraphs and complete a graphic organizer with the important information.

7. Computer viruses are scary. If an attacker gets control of your computer, they can snoop through your files, steal your sensitive information, and even use your computer's webcam and microphone to spy on you. But just because there are scary things *on* the Internet, doesn't mean that we should stay *off* of the Internet. Instead, practice safe habits such as installing virus protection. Virus protection will not protect you against all attacks, but it may stop the most common ones. It also helps to keep your software up to date. Software updates close security holes. By installing updates from software providers, you will have a stronger system. Perhaps the most important thing that you can do is to be smart about how you browse. Don't click on suspicious links and don't open attached files unless you are expecting them. The Internet can be a dangerous place, but you'll be safer if you take a few precautions. Happy browsing!

8. Viruses can mess up computers and make them run slowly. If you've ever gotten a virus on your computer, you may have wondered why someone would go through all of that trouble just to ruin your computer. There are two reasons why people spread viruses: money and power. If someone infects your computer with a virus, they can make money by stealing your sensitive information and selling it to identity thieves. Or, they can gain power by using your computer to attack other computers and websites to take them offline. Your computer makes an attractive target to cybercriminals because they can use it to gain money and power.

9. I've noticed that a lot of people are confused about mobile data and Wifi. Some people think that they're the same thing. Sure, both mobile data and Wifi allow you to connect to the internet, but there are some important differences between them. Mobile data is provided by the mobile phone company while Wifi is comes through cable or phone lines. Mobile data gives you internet access anywhere that your phone can get a signal, but you can only get Wifi access when you are near a router. Wifi is usually faster than mobile data too, but perhaps the most important difference is the amount that you can use. Customers are usually given an nearly unlimited amount of Wifi data, like an all-you-can-eat buffet. On the other hand, mobile data is often sold in limited portions, like an expensive restaurant. It is important to know which you are using so that you aren't charged hefty fees for going over your mobile data plan limits.