



# NONFICTION

Writing that deals with REAL people,  
places, and events.

Opposite of Fiction.



Contains **FACTUAL** information.



(However, writers can choose and organize based on their specific purposes.)

# FACT and OPINION

## FACTS

- Statements that can be proven true or false.



## OPINIONS

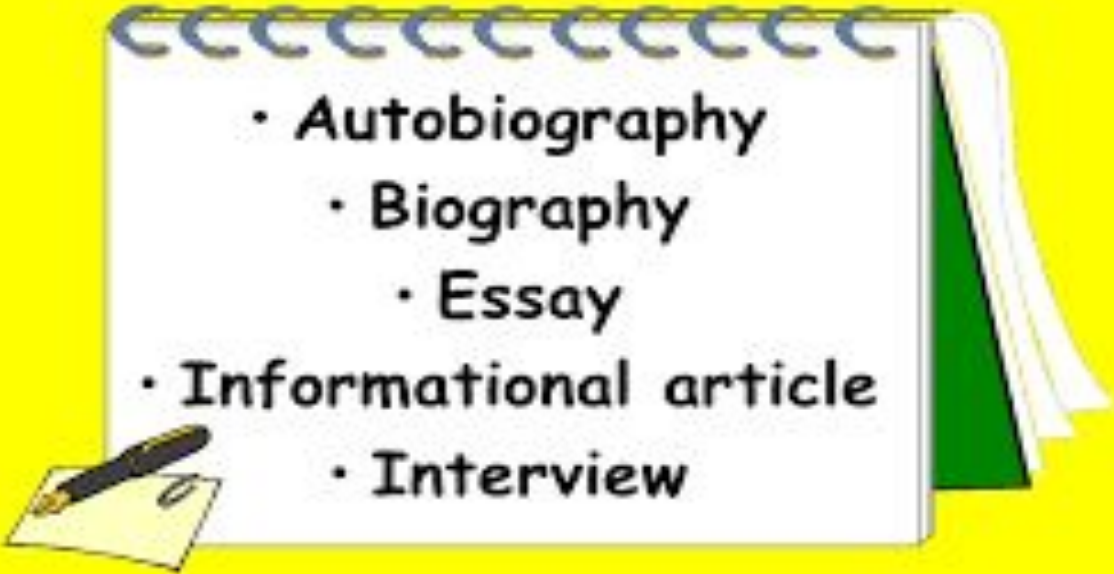
- Statements that cannot be proven true or false.
- Based on an individual's personal beliefs and feelings.

# Fact or Opinion?!

- In order to become 8th graders, 7th graders at Lanier must pass the CRCT in Language Arts and Math.
- Girls are usually nicer than boys.
- The classroom doesn't contain enough chairs to seat all of the students.
- The best food in the cafeteria is the quesadilla.
- The award for the best actress was given to Halle Berry.

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- Autobiography
  - Biography
  - Essay
  - Informational article
  - Interview

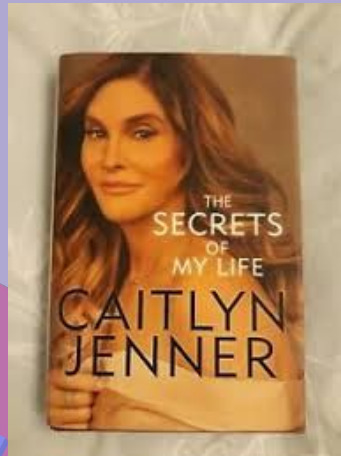
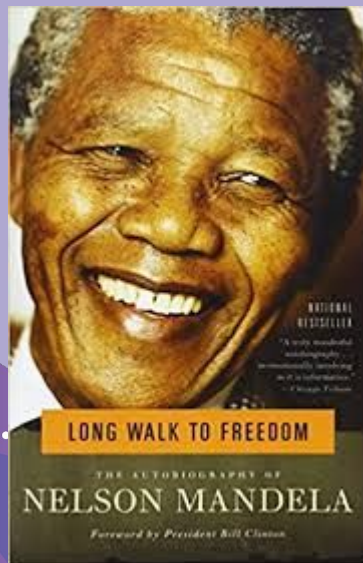
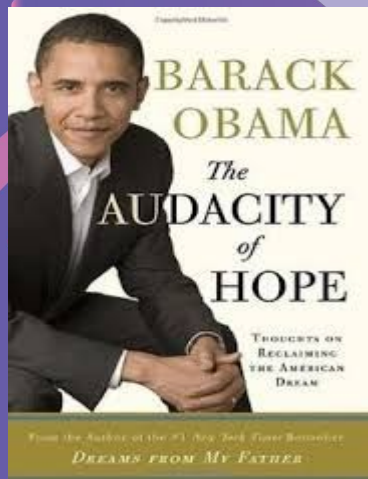


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THE DIARY  
OF A  
YOUNG GIRL

WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

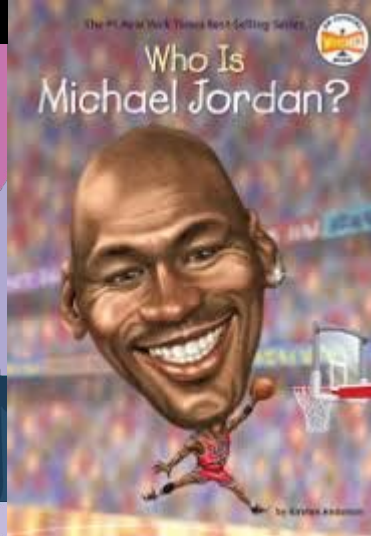
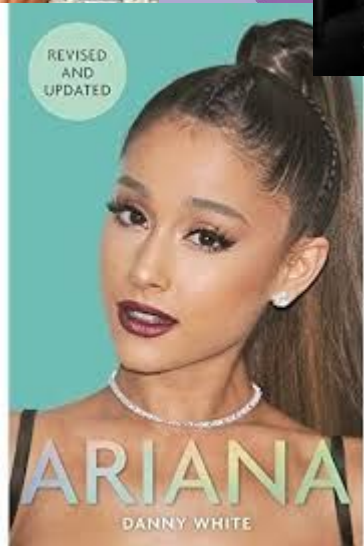
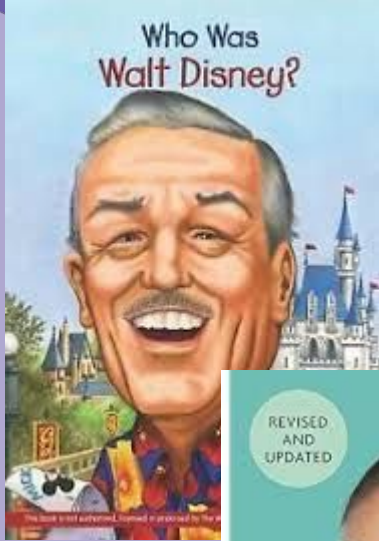


# AUTOBIOGRAPHY

- Story of a person's life, written by that person.
- 1st person point of view
- Usually book length
- Includes journals, dairies, letters, and memoirs.

# Biography

- Story of a person's life told by someone else
- In 3rd person of view (he/she/they)
- The writer is called the biographer
- Same elements as fiction (conflict, setting, etc.)





# Biopics are biographical movies



The  
Hurricane



The Blind  
Side

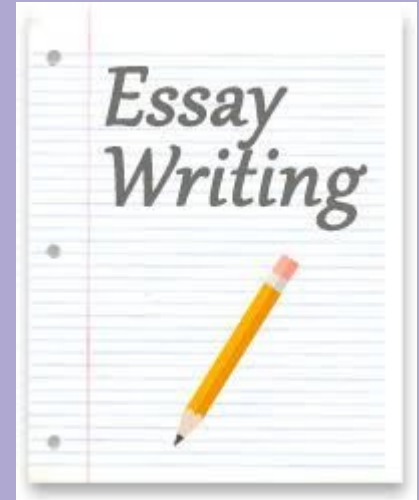


American  
Sniper



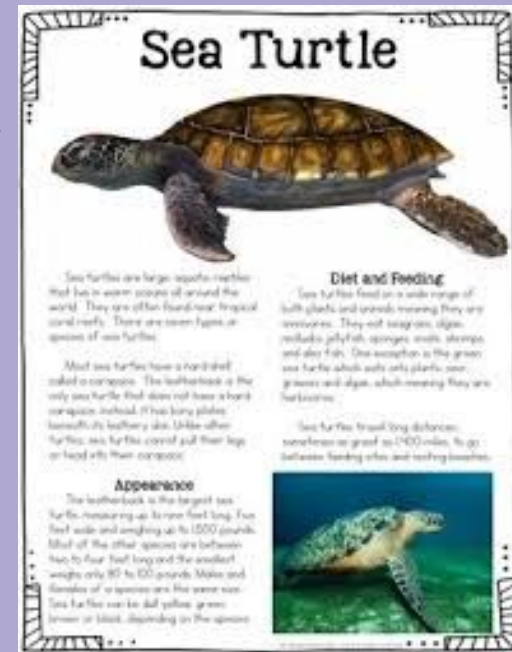
# Essay

- Short piece written on ONE subject
- Usually found in newspapers and magazines (and in English Class!)
- Purposes
  - To share opinions
  - Entertain or persuade
  - To describe



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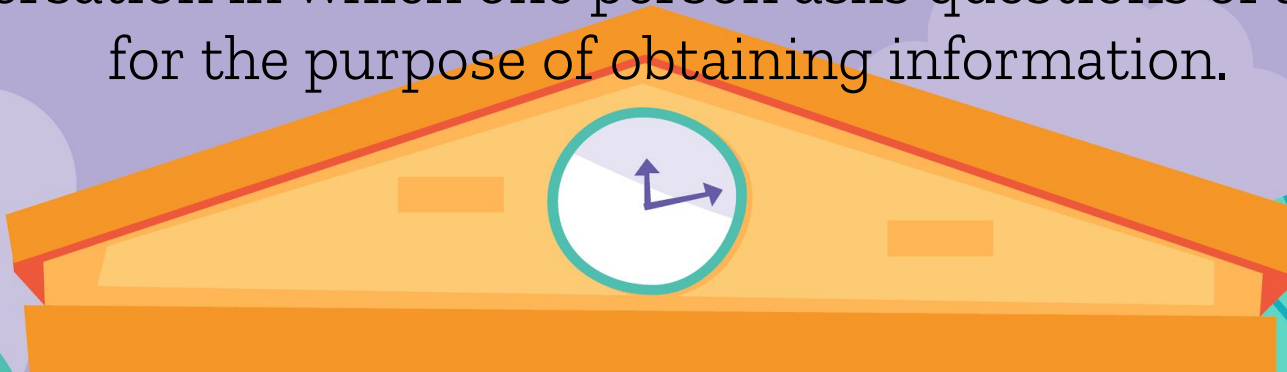
- Provides facts about a subject
- Includes newspaper and magazine articles and features stories
- Also includes textbooks, pamphlets, history books, gardening books and how to books.



# Interview



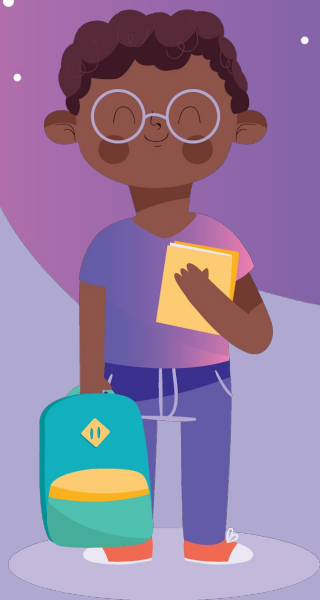
Conversation in which one person asks questions of another for the purpose of obtaining information.



# TIPS FOR READING NONFICTION

- Preview the selection  
(What's in bold? What are the pictures about? Etc.)
- Clarify the organization (is it chronological, sequential, etc?)
- Summarize the main idea
- Separate facts from opinions
- Evaluate what you read  
(come up with your own opinions!)





## IDEAS

- Investigate the text
- Decide on a plan of action
- Evaluate your effort
- Adjust your reading
- Summarize
- This "ideas" acronym came from *Mailbox Magazine*.







# THANKS

Does anyone have any questions?

