

Graphic Novels are NOT a Genre

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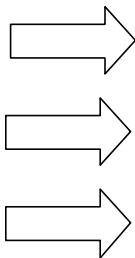


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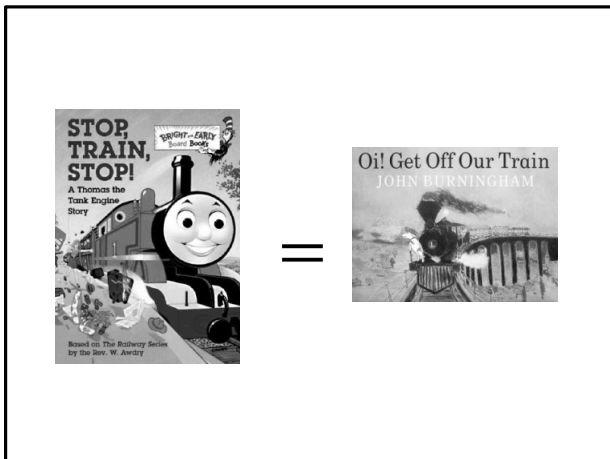
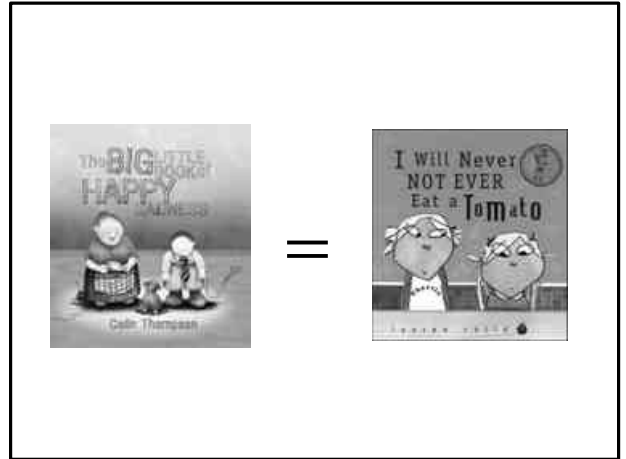


Format

Code

"One of the six essential elements in Roman Jakobson's influential theory of communication and has an important place in **structuralist** theories, which stress the extent to which messages (including literary works) call upon already coded meanings rather than fresh revelations of raw reality."

Oxford Dictionary of Literary Terms



Genre

"Coded signals [that] prompt readers to take up a work in an appropriate way."

International Encyclopaedia of Communications

Have a disparate Style, Form and Content

Style

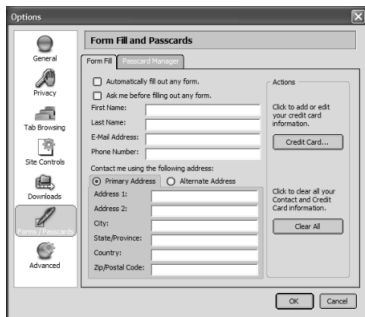


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www.vanityfair.com

Form



The screenshot shows the 'Form Fill and Passcards' section of the Mozilla Firefox options dialog. It includes a sidebar with icons for General, Privacy, Tab Browsing, Site Controls, Downloads, Form Fill and Passcards (selected), and Advanced. The main area is titled 'Form Fill and Passcards' and contains a 'Form Fill' tab with a 'Passcard Manager' sub-tab. There are several checkboxes: 'Automatically fill out any form.' (checked), 'Ask me before filling out any form.' (unchecked), and 'Click to add or edit your credit card information.' (checked). Below these are input fields for 'First Name:', 'Last Name:', 'E-Mail Address:', and 'Phone Number:'. A 'Credit Card...' button is next to the phone number field. There are also radio buttons for 'Primary Address' (selected) and 'Alternate Address'. Below these are input fields for 'Address 1:', 'Address 2:', 'City:', 'State/Province:', 'Country:', and 'Zip/Postal Code:'. On the right side, there are two buttons: 'Click to clear all your Contact and Credit Card information.' and 'Clear All'. At the bottom are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

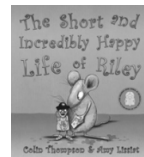
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Content



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Graphic
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Books



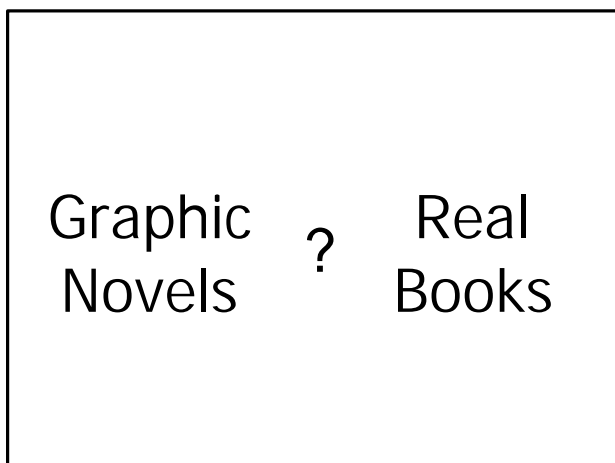
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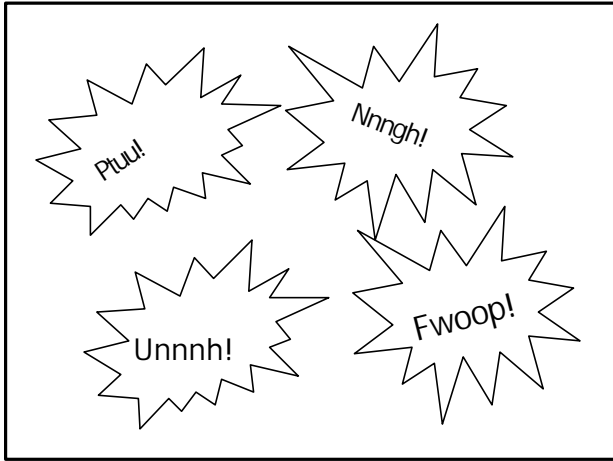


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Graphic Novels Can...

- encourage children to approach the classics of literature
- enable a child who is a struggling reader to approach a text with knowledge gained from the illustrations
- encourage children to incorporate their illustrations and text when creating new stories
- appeal to many readers and facilitate them reading large amounts of books during the year
- be a good tool to use with ESOL students
- increase visual literacy