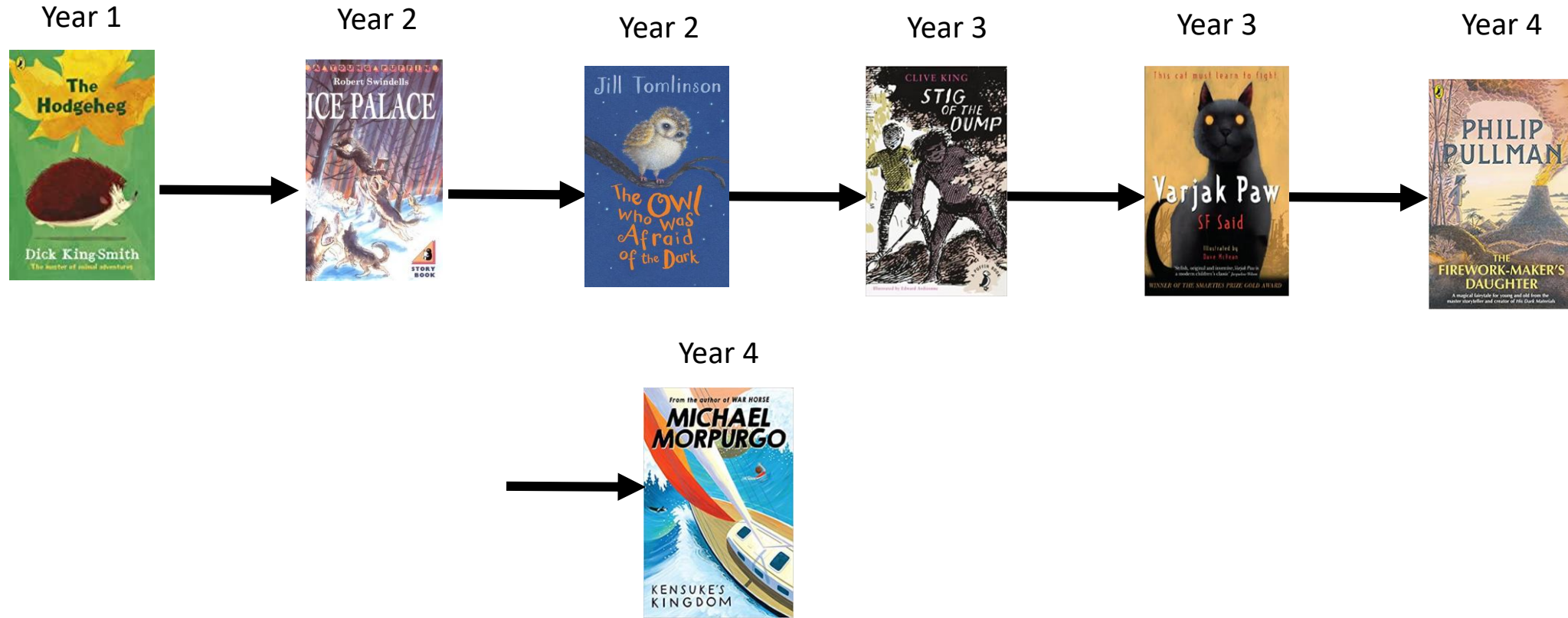


Genre: Adventure

Genre overview



Stories of survival or life in the great outdoors.

- Characters succeed without adult assistance.
- Characters, often children, encounter situations that require quick thinking, problem solving, and inner strength.

Genre: Fantasy

Genre overview

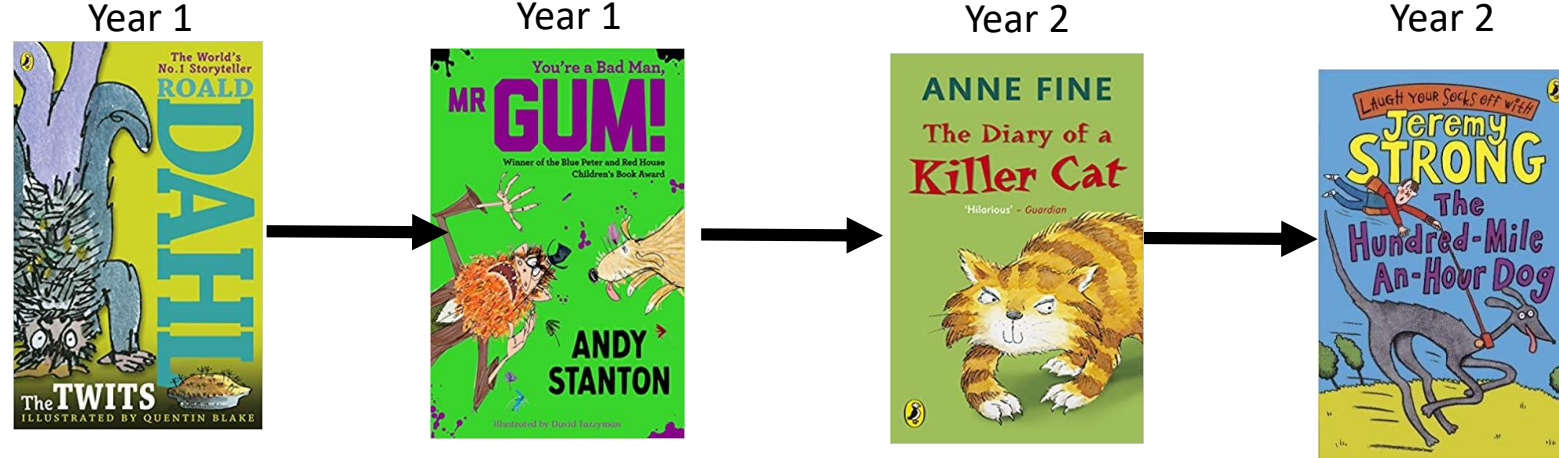


Fiction with strange or otherworldly settings or characters; fiction that invites suspension of reality; fiction that depends on magic or the impossible or inexplicable.

Divided into low fantasy (world governed by the laws of this world but inexplicable things occur) and high fantasy (set in a secondary world of magic and inhabited by supernatural beings or creatures).

Genre: Humorous

Genre overview



A humorous novel is usually a work of fiction in which the writer seeks to amuse the reader, sometimes with subtlety and as part of a carefully woven narrative, sometimes above all other considerations. It could indeed be said that comedy fiction is literary work that aims primarily to provoke laughter, but this isn't always as obvious as it first may seem.



A genre that places strong emphasis on intense emotion, pairing terror with pleasure, death with romance.

The Gothic genre is characterised by its darkly, picturesque scenery and its eerie stories of the macabre.

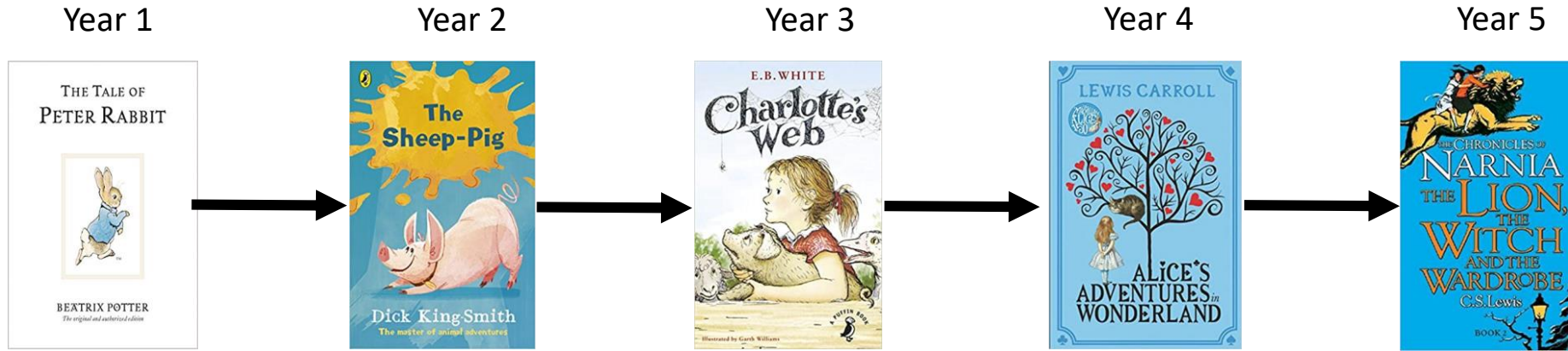


Set in a future that scientific or technological advance could or might make possible.

- In one approach the story usually takes place in outer space where the technology of the future is predicted.
- In the other approach future societies are portrayed, usually on earth, with or without the presence of aliens.
- Themes frequently deal with good or evil, often involving technology.
- Science Fantasy uses science "to explain the existence of the world and magic is used thereafter."

Genre: Classic

Genre overview



Accurately depicts life as it was lived in the past.

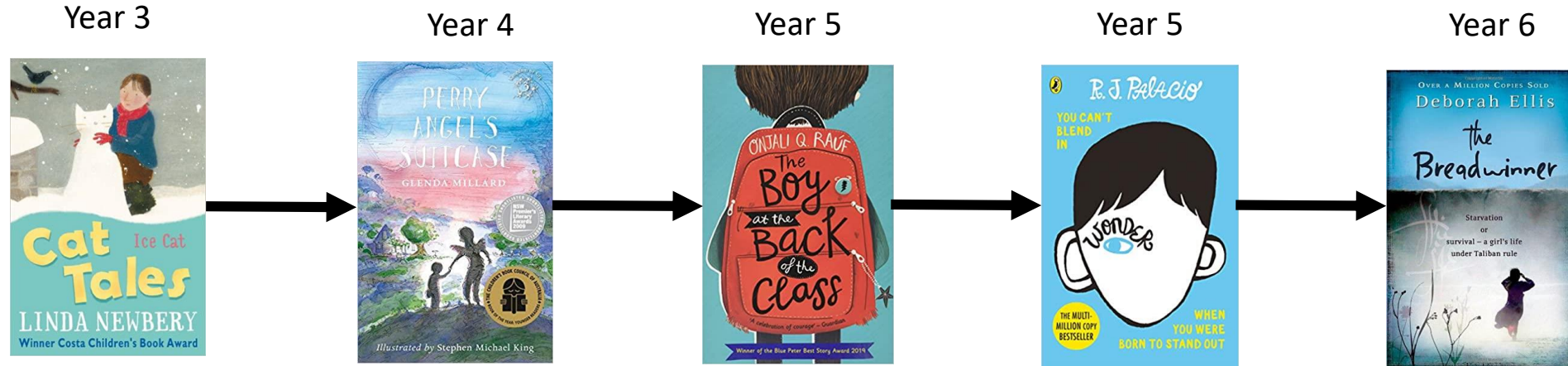
- Themes are contemporary and may tend to be controversial.
- Historical, political and social issues and kids' problems may be explored.
- "Contemporary" : by its nature the genre is always changing.

Can contain stories with fairies or other magical creatures, usually for children. A classic fairy tale is written in a traditional style with the elements of folklore.

- Stories include fantasy, make believe, and often magic.

Genre: Real life

Genre overview



A story that can actually happen and is true to life.

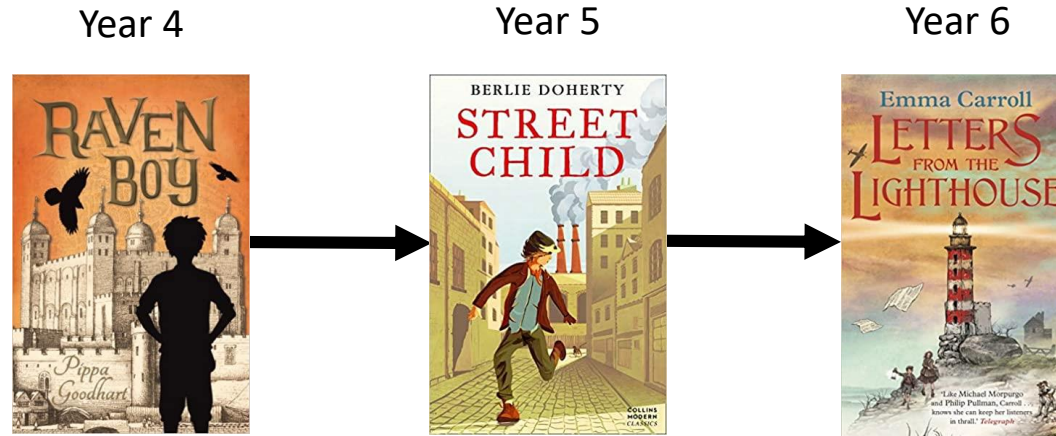
- Realistic characters with possible problems.
- Outcomes are reasonable and plausible.
- Settings can be contemporary or historical.
- Family stories, school stories, animal stories, mysteries, could all be included in this genre.

Accurately depicts life as it could be lived today.

- Themes are contemporary and may tend to be controversial.
- Current political and social issues and kids' problems may be explored.
- "Contemporary" means that by its nature the genre is always changing.

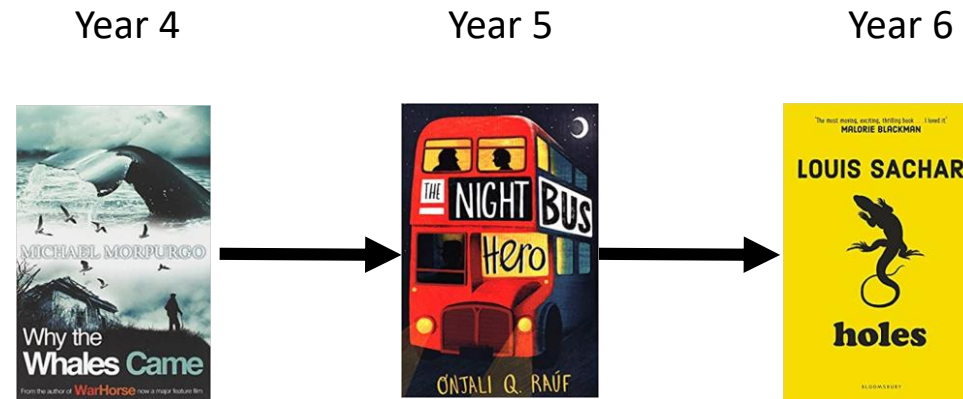
Genre: Historical fiction

Genre overview



Imaginative stories with fictional characters and events in a historical setting.

- May be based upon dates, people, or events that really happened.
- Major historical event may be an essential.
- Accuracy of the historical detail is evident.
- May include author notes on research.
- Categories of historical fiction are based upon the time period or historical era.
- Characters and time periods are lifelike.
- Conflict allows children to compare the past with the present in order to better understand our world.



Imaginative stories dealing with the solution of a secret, problem, or crime, and involving suspense or intrigue.

- Suspense.
- Cliff hangers.
- Foreshadowing.
- Detective stories and spy novels.
- Often are available in series.