



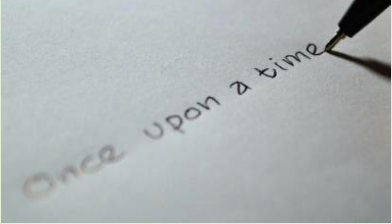



## BOOKS AND LITERATURE

<b>Main theme addressed</b>	<b>In this lesson, you will learn vocabulary about books and literature.</b>
<b>Key Goals</b>	<b>Here is an outline of what you will learn today:</b>  <b>1. Main elements of a book</b>  <b>2. Main elements of a story</b>  <b>3. Places to find books</b>

### 1. Main elements of a book

Books involve many different elements that you will need to know.

You will find these elements in the vocabulary list on the following page with a picture and explanation.

<p><b>cover</b></p>		<p>The hard part of the book that you need to open before you start reading.</p>
<p><b>pages</b></p>		<p>The paper on which the story is written.</p>
<p><b>text</b></p>		<p>What is written on the pages.</p>
<p><b>images</b></p>		<p>The elements that represent the story visually.</p>
<p><b>story/plot</b></p>		<p>The content written in the book. The story is the series of events told by the narrator.</p>
<p><b>title</b></p>		<p>What the book is called.</p>

Here are a few more elements you can find in books:

<b>table of contents</b>	A list with the different chapters of the book and on what page to find them.
<b>preface</b>	The part in which the writer introduces him/herself to the readers by talking about the book's purpose and writing process.
<b>acknowledgements</b>	The part of the book in which the writer thanks the people who have helped him/her create the book.
<b>bibliography</b>	The references for all the research done during the writing process.

**Exercise:**

**What element of a book is presented in the following way?**

Author's name, "The title of the book", Publishing House, Place and Year of publication.

**Answer here:** \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Main elements of a story

A story is the content created by the writer. It is a series of adventures, actions, or thoughts that you will read in a book.

- **The Characters**

<b>characters</b>	The people involved in the story. Some stories also include animals in this category.
<b>main characters</b>	The most important characters in the story
<b>hero(ine) or protagonist</b>	The main character who represents the “good” side of the story. The whole plot revolves around him or her.
<b>villain or antagonist</b>	The character who opposes the hero and represents the “bad” side of the story.
<b>confidante or sidekick</b>	The character who supports the Hero throughout the story.
<b>love interest</b>	The person that the protagonist will fall in love with.
<b>anti-hero</b>	a hero who doesn't have all the usual characteristics of a hero.

- **The Narrators**

There is a narrator in every story.

<b>narrator</b>	The person who tells the story.
<b>first-person narrator</b>	A character in the story who tells things from their own point of view.
<b>third-person external narrator</b>	Is just observing what happens in the story without further information.
<b>third-person internal narrator</b>	A character who tells the story using the third person. His/her knowledge is limited.
<b>third-person omniscient narrator</b>	Tells the story using the third person and knows everything. They can decide to share some elements with the reader that the characters do not know of.

**Exercise:**

**Read the following text:**

Jane heard some footsteps when she came home. She opened the door and hid behind it. For the first time in her life, she wasn't scared at all. She grabbed a knife from the drawer and waited for the intruder. Unfortunately, the intruder turned out to be her brother, who was home early that day.

**What type of narrator is telling the story?**

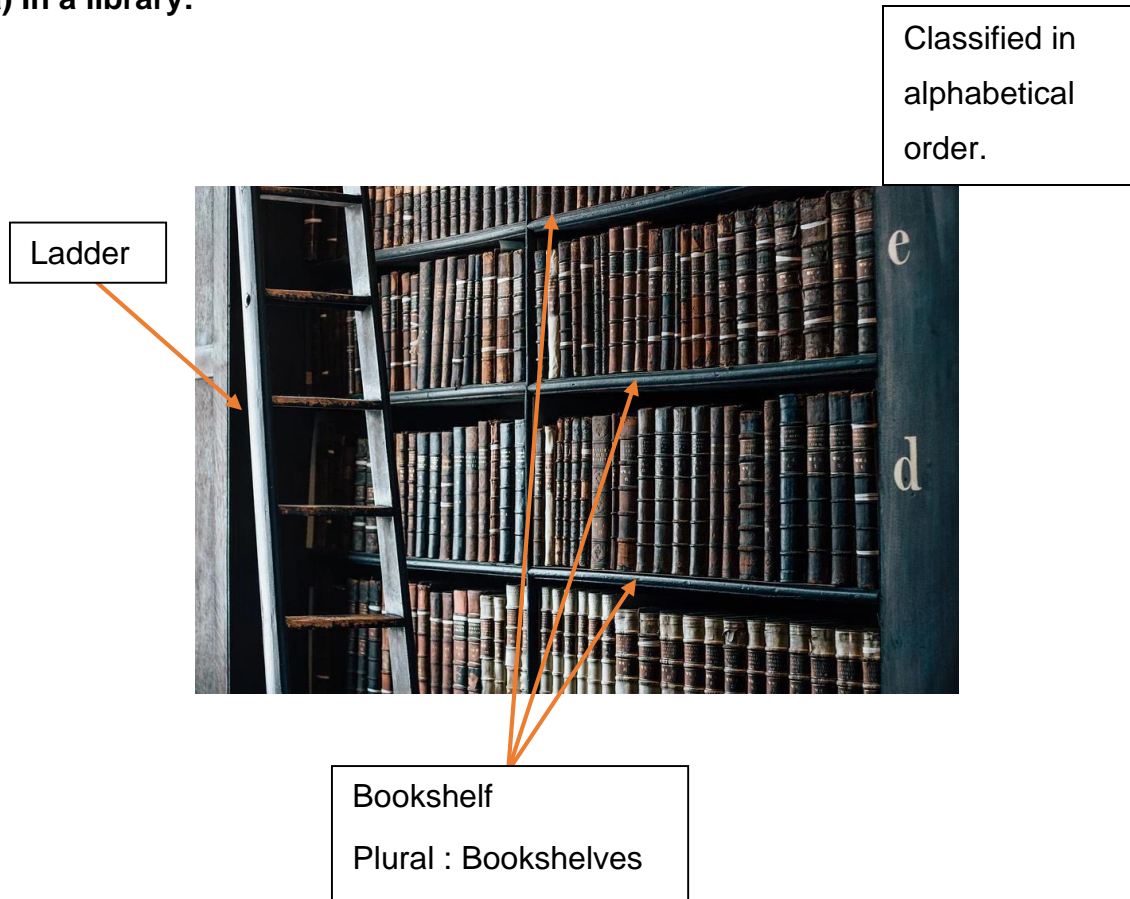
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### 3. Places to find books

Now you know about books and literature.

Where can we find these and other types of books?

a) In a library:



A **library** is a place where books are placed on **bookshelves**. That is why you often need a **ladder** to get the book you need. In order to find them more easily, all books are usually **classified in alphabetical order**.

You can have a **private library** (a room) at home with your own books.

You can also go to a **public library** (a building) and **borrow** books for very **cheap**.

**b) In a bookstore:**



In a **bookstore**, the books will also be placed on **bookshelves**.

A bookstore is a place where you can **buy** books. The difference with the library is that, in this case, the books **remain yours**. That is why they will be more **expensive**.

Exercise:

Fill in the blanks in the following sentences with the correct word:

1. You can \_\_\_\_\_ books at a library.
2. I prefer to buy books at the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. I placed her book on the highest \_\_\_\_\_.
4. 4. She will need to use a \_\_\_\_\_ to reach it.



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