

Conflict and Genre



There are four main types of conflict in literature:

- **Person vs. Person:** In this type of story there is a clear protagonist and a clear antagonist. Stories with a hero and a villain fall into this category.
- **Person vs. Self:** In this type of story, the protagonist is struggling with something within themselves.
- **Person vs. Nature:** In this type of story, the antagonist is nature (i.e., climate change, being lost at sea, etc.)
- **Person vs. Society:** In this type of story, the antagonist is society (i.e., social expectations, totalitarianism, technology, etc.)

Different genres tend to explore different types of conflict. Think of a story in each of the popular genres below. Write the name of the story, the type of conflict, and a brief description of the conflict.

Genre	Type of Conflict	Describe the Conflict
adventure		
science fiction		
romance		
mystery		