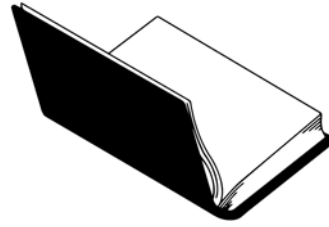


Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Utopia**



# Types of Utopias

A **utopia** is a story about a perfect society where everyone is safe and happy – at least that’s how it has been designed to be. The purpose of utopian fiction is to explore society’s problems, and point out the difficulties inherent in trying to solve them. Utopias can be classified as follows:

- Moral utopias explore moral/ethical issues in general, as well as the moral/ethical aspects of things like politics, religion, science, etc.
- In political/economic/social utopias, the utopian society is based on a specific philosophy. In these utopias, the aim of the writer is to explore what society would be like as a pure expression of their philosophy.
- In an ecological utopia, human society does no harm to the environment.
- In religious utopias, the utopian society is based on a specific religion. In these utopias, the aim of the writer is to explore what society would be like as a pure expression of their religion.
- In a technological utopia, all human problems have been resolved through the application of technology.

Think about the text you have just read. What kind of utopia do you think it is? Support your answer with text evidence.

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