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| **Primary genre** | **French term** | **Gloss on use of term** |
| Chronology | Chronologie |  |
| Drama | Théâtre |  |
| Fiction | Oeuvre d’imagination |  |
| Journalism | Journalisme |  |
| Life writing | Écriture du soi |  |
| Music | Musique |  |
| Non-fiction | Essais |  |
| Novel | Roman |  |
| Performance | Représentation |  |
| Poetry | Poésie |  |
| Record | Notice |  |
| Scholarly writing | Essai |  |
| Short story | Nouvelle |  |
| *No English equivalent* | Récit |  |