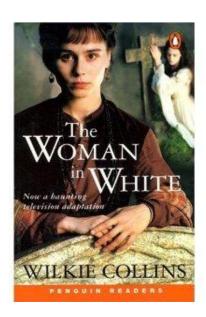
Reading Fiction & Non-fiction





What is Fiction?

- Literature created through someone's imagination
- Not true



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Reading a Fiction book

 First of all, we can get an idea of the content of a fiction book by studying its cover.

Front Cover

Consists of title of book, author and illustrator.







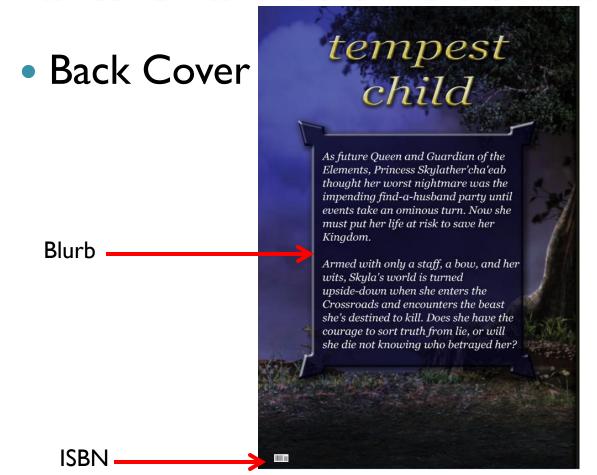
Back Cover

Includes a blurb, ISBN, etc.

- Usually we first look at the front cover and the back cover of the book.
- A blurb is a short summary of the story or promotional piece that tempts you to read the book.











Spine

Consists of title of book, author/illustrator and

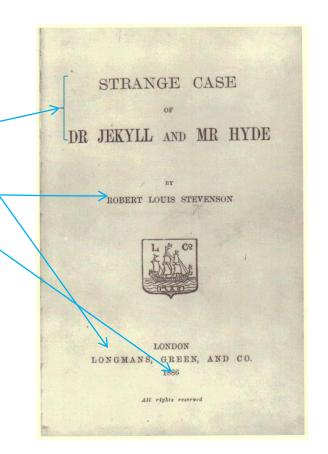
publisher







Title Page
 Consists of <u>title</u>, author, publisher, year of publication, etc.



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Copyright page

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Body textPages containing the story









Reading a Fiction Book

- Take a look at the front cover (title, author)
- Read the blurb at the back so you can get a glimpse of the story inside
- Scan¹ through the first few pages and body text
- This way you can choose a book for yourself to read

¹Read about Scanning and Skimming; http://www.aacc.edu/tutoring/file/skimming.pdf



Reading a Fiction Book....

- Unlike, non-fiction, reading fiction involves reading from the beginning of your story to the end
- Read this way and enjoy the book
- For more information, see;

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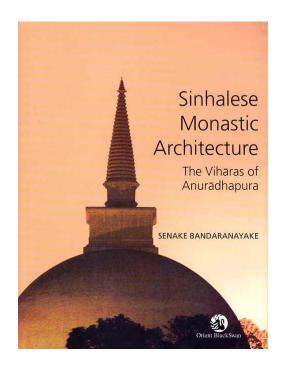




What is Non-fiction?

Writing that is about facts or real events

(www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/nonfiction: 2013)



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Reading a Non-fiction book

- You read a non fiction book to get to know something
- Before you open a book, you must know what you are looking for
- Unlike reading fiction, you don't need to feel that you have to finish reading the book
- More likely, you are only looking for information you need to find

Parts of a Non-fiction book...

- Front cover: title, author's name, illustration, etc.
- **Spine:** title, author's name, publisher
- Front matter:
 - Copyright page: title, author's name, copyright information,, ISBN, publisher information.
 - Foreword: usually written by an expert in the field
 - Preface: Author's personal story about the book
 - Introduction: practical guide to using the book;
 - Acknowledgments: recognizes people who contributed





Parts of a Non-fiction book...

- Chapters: Body text
- Back matter:
 - Bibliography: References
 - Appendices: background information or details
 - Glossary: alphabetically arranged dictionary of terms used in the book
 - Index: is a list of words or phrases and associated pointers to where useful information can be found in the book





Reading a Non-fiction book contd:

- As in the case of a fiction book, we go through the front and back covers, spine and front matter of the book.
- To find what you want to know (without reading the whole book), you should go through;
 - The content page
 - Index (e.g. if you need to read about management, find the word in the index, which will tell you the exact pages to read)





The End



