

## Multi-Genre Memoir

Genre/Form	Mentor Text	Features	Purpose
<b>Picture Book</b>	<i>Erika's Story</i> <i>So Far from the Sea</i> <i>The Boy &amp; His Violin</i>	<p>Illustrations that reflect the mood and time period</p> <p>Use of dialogue</p> <p>Inclusion of description and reflection</p> <p>Attention to details and descriptive and/or sensory language</p> <p>Precise words and phrases</p> <p>Transition words and/or phrases that help readers recognize shifts and passages of time</p> <p>Written across many pages, but includes pictures and words on each page</p>	<p>To share a poignant story</p> <p>To reflect on a period in time that was poignant and troubling</p> <p>To share historical perspective and information</p> <p>To evoke emotion</p>
<b>Photo Essay</b>	<i>Lives Turned Upside Down</i>	<p>Use of black-and-white photography</p> <p>Told in first-person</p> <p>Relevant details that connect to visual images</p> <p>Precise words and phrases</p> <p>Written across many pages; includes photos and words on each page</p>	<p>To share personal stories about a contemporary issue</p> <p>To provide readers with an opportunity to gain perspective about an issue that impacts other young adults</p>
<b>Novel</b>	<i>Bad Boy: A Memoir</i>	<p>Descriptive language</p> <p>Vivid details and reflections</p> <p>Strong sense of place</p> <p>Humor and strong voice</p> <p>Written across many pages, includes chapters, and no pictures</p>	<p>To share a personal account of a life while evoking emotions and sharing vivid memories about a period of the writer's life that demonstrated tenacity and courage</p>
<b>Graphic Novel</b>	<i>Little White Duck: A Childhood in China</i>	<p>Frames of illustrations, along with speech bubbles, to reflect dialogue</p> <p>Descriptive language</p> <p>Precise vocabulary</p> <p>Written in book form across many pages, using pictures and words</p>	<p>To share historical information and personal memories with readers</p>
<b>Short Story</b>	<i>Guys Read: The Sports Pages</i>	<p>Reflection</p> <p>Dialogue</p> <p>Descriptive language</p> <p>Focuses on a specific experience, event, or relationship that had a personal impact on the author</p> <p>Written across a few pages with no pictures</p>	<p>To share humorous, poignant stories that evoke emotion, entertain, encourage, and inspire</p>