

# Text Type Detectives

Listen to short texts and identify their types.

**CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.K.5** "Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems)."

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Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

## 1 CIRCLE IT \_\_\_\_\_

|   |      |           |           |
|---|------|-----------|-----------|
| a | Poem | Storybook | List      |
| b | Poem | Storybook | List      |
| c | Poem | List      | Storybook |

## 2 DRAW LINES \_\_\_\_\_

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|-----------|
|  | • | • | Poem      |
|  | • | • | List      |
|  | • | • | Storybook |

**HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE**

Read the choices and each short text aloud. Students listen for whether a text tells what happens, uses poem-like sound and repetition, or gives a list of things, then mark the text type.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

**PART 1 • CIRCLE IT**

**SAY** “I will read each short text and the choices. Listen closely, then circle the word that names the kind of text you hear.”

| ROW | SAY                                                                                                                                                  | STUDENTS CIRCLE  |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| a   | Listen: “Noah built a tower. It fell down. He built it again.” Is this a poem, a storybook, or a list? Circle the word that names this kind of text. | <b>Storybook</b> |
| b   | Listen: “Socks, soap, and a towel.” Is this a poem, a storybook, or a list? Circle the word that names this kind of text.                            | <b>List</b>      |
| c   | Listen: “Bees buzz by the tree. Bees buzz, one, two, three.” Is this a poem, a storybook, or a list? Circle the word that names this kind of text.   | <b>Poem</b>      |

**PART 2 • DRAW LINES**

**SAY** “Look at the circle. Listen: “Jay packed a kite. At the park, it flew away. Jay ran after it.” What kind of text is it? Draw a line from the circle to its text type. Look at the square. Listen: “Blue shoe, blue shoe, tap on the floor. Blue shoe, blue shoe, tap once more.” What kind of text is it? Draw a line from the square to its text type. Look at the triangle. Listen: “Milk, bread, apples.” What kind of text is it? Draw a line from the triangle to its text type.”

- **circle** matches **Storybook**
- **square** matches **Poem**
- **triangle** matches **List**

**WHAT TO ACCEPT**

Part 1: Storybook, List, Poem. Part 2: circle to Storybook, square to Poem, triangle to List. Accept any clear line connecting each shape to the correct text type.