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Fantasy

subgenres include high fantasy, urban fantasy, cozy fantasy, sword and sorcerer, steampunk, fairy tale

Science Fiction

subgenres include Afrofuturism, dystopia, space opera, hard/soft sci-fi, space western, cyberpunk

Mystery

subgenres include cozy mystery, locked room, private investigator, police procedural, detective fiction, legal

Western

subgenres include contemporary, historical, western gothic, revisionist western, weird west, lawmen

Romance

subgenres include contemporary romance, romantasy, dark romance, paranormal romance, inspirational

Horror

subgenres include gothic horror, paranormal horror, body horror, monster horror, psychological horror

Historical Fiction

subgenres include alternate history, historical romance, historical mystery, nautical, regency, war

Suspense/Thriller

subgenres include psychological thriller, political thriller, romantic suspense, supernatural thriller

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