

# Children's Literature: The Development of a Genre

In this course, we will trace the evolution of literature specifically written for children - from its earliest forms to the modern era. We will begin with the oral traditions that underpin all storytelling, then follow the shift toward published works created specifically with young readers in mind. We will survey key moments and turning points that shaped the growth of children's literature as a distinct field. We will conclude by analyzing how a well-known children's literature has evolved over time.



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**TUESDAYS, JULY 7 THROUGH AUGUST 11**

**8am PT | 9am MT | 10am CT | 11am ET**

**Each live session is 90 minutes**

- Tuesday, July 7
- Tuesday, July 14
- Tuesday, July 21
- Tuesday, July 28
- Tuesday, August 4
- Tuesday, August 11

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