

SMART™ Lesson

Creating Imaginary Worlds in Fantasy Literature

Welcome to your lesson on creating imaginary worlds in fantasy literature! Fantasy literature is a genre where authors create their worlds with magic, mythical creatures and alternate realities. This makes for a unique and fascinating reading experience. Creating an imaginary world is an exciting task. So, let's take a deep dive and explore some of the important aspects of creating imaginary worlds in fantasy literature.

Imaginary World Building

World-building is the process where authors construct imaginary worlds from scratch. Fantasy worlds can have their own rules, cultures, geography, and history. When building an imaginary world, authors draw on their experiences and add their imagination to create something that is unique and believable to their readers. The key to building an exciting imaginary world is to remember that everything is made up, and so the limits are endless.

Fictional Maps

In fantasy literature, authors add maps to their books to give readers a feel of the world they created. Maps also help readers trace locations and understand the author's intended narrative. Fictional maps help readers dive deep into imaginary worlds and experience them like never before.

Mythical Creatures

Mythical creatures are an essential part of fantasy literature. Dragons, unicorns, mermaids, and trolls are some of the common creatures that authors use to make their worlds come to life. They are usually created from a combination of different animals and their characteristics, to make a unique and terrifying creature.

Writing your Own Imaginary World

Now that you've learned some of the key elements to creating an imaginary world in fantasy literature, it's time to put pen to paper! Write out an imaginary world that includes mythical creatures, magical abilities, or alternate realities. Here are some questions to help guide you:

1. What kind of creatures will inhabit your imaginary world?
2. What are the names of the cities and landmarks in your made-up world?

3. What is the climate like? Are there different seasons like in the real world?
4. What are the cultural traditions and beliefs of the imaginary world's inhabitants?
5. What is the conflict, and how will the protagonist resolve it?

Remember, the limits are endless; let your imagination run wild and write the kind of story you would want to read!

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