Comic book genres

A **genre** is a style or category of something

The idea is useful a way of putting things like films, music, books and comics into groups

Comics of the same genre usually have similar things about how they look and are laid out

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1. Humour

These comics are funny. They can be long stories or just tell a joke. Some tell a joke every day

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2. Superhero/fantasy/action/mystery

These are one of the biggest classic genres. They usually tell the sort of a hero and their sidekick or a group of heroes

A good story is essential

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3. Crime/mystery

Some kind of mystery is solved – possibly by a detective

This genre is really wide reaching and can use all sorts of styles

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4. Horror/Noir

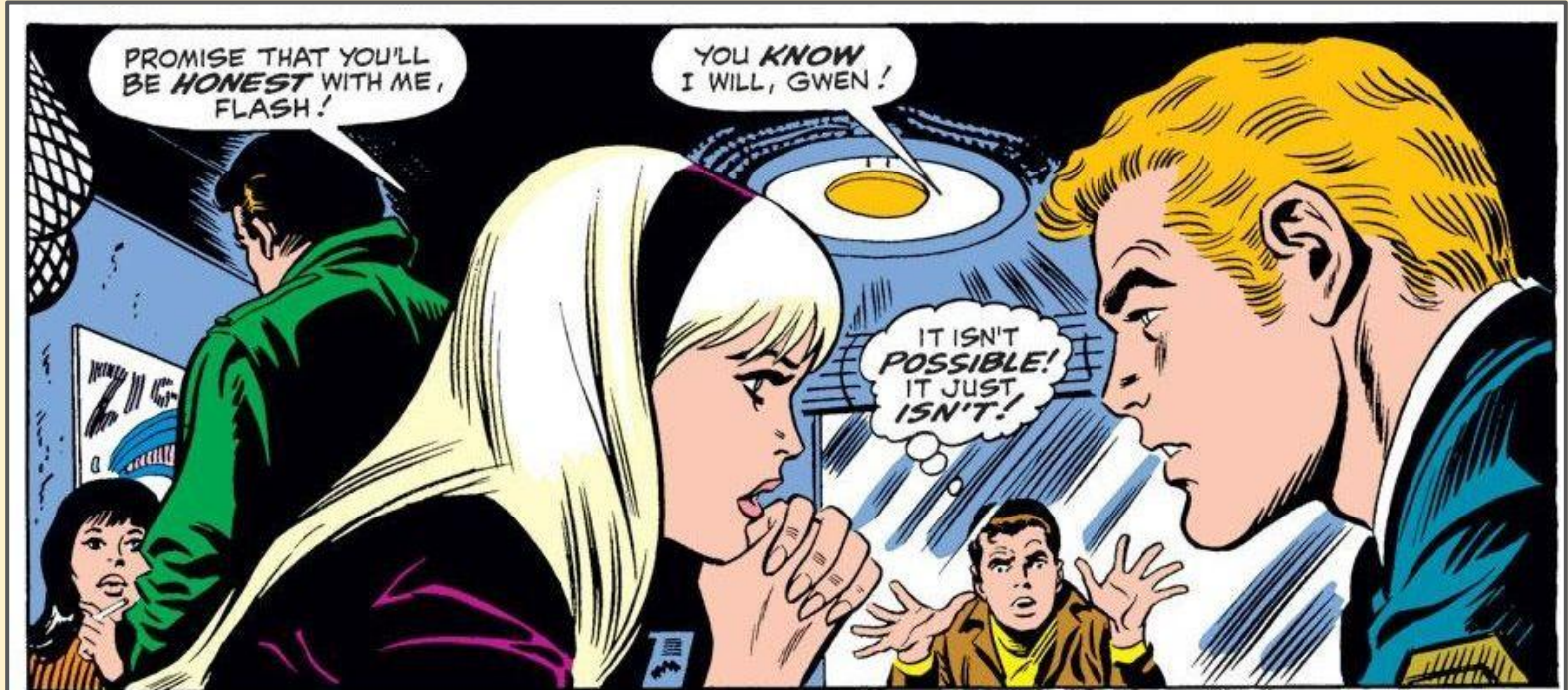These feature ghosts, zombies and so on. They are dark and tell tense stories

They often use darker colour palettes
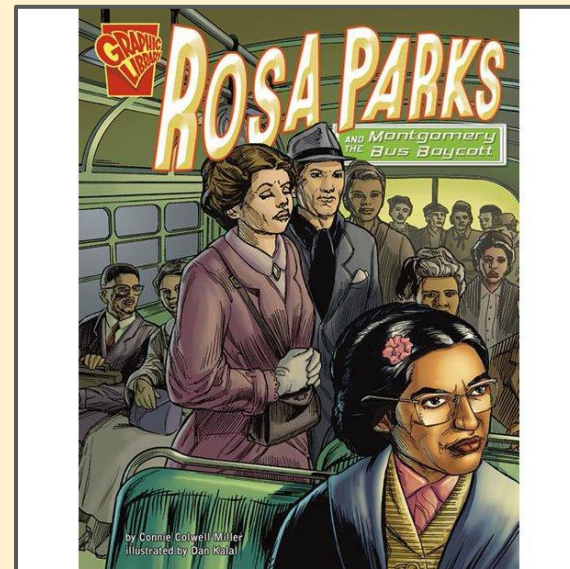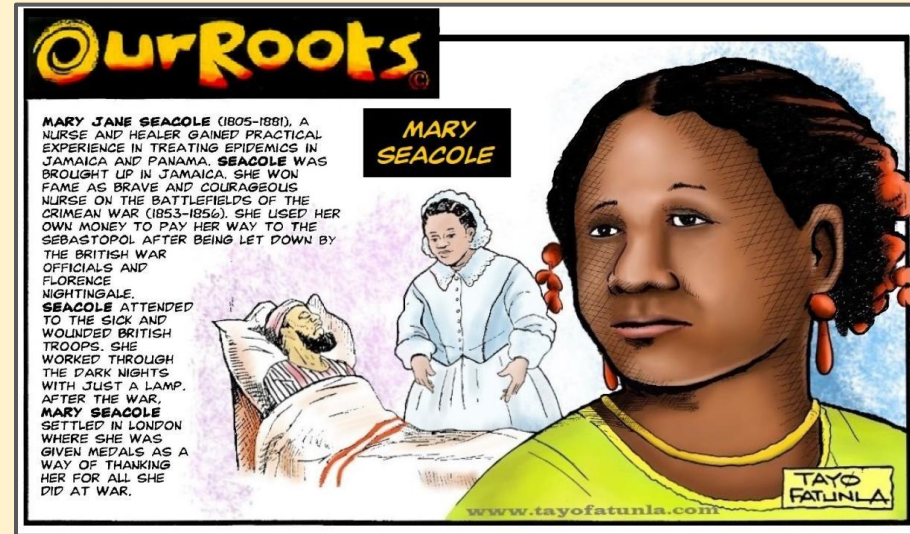
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5. Romance

Love stories are a perfectly valid genre for comic book stories
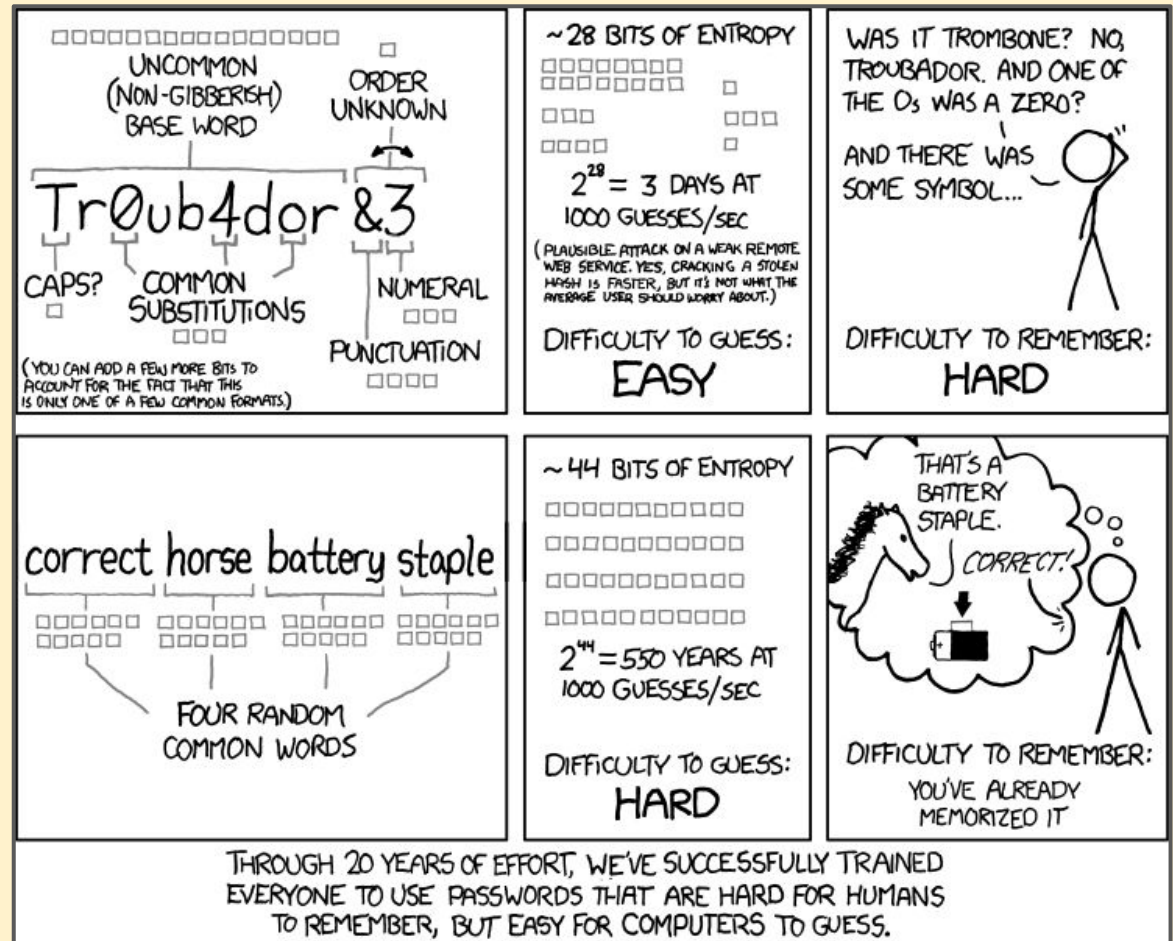
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6. Non-fiction

Real life stories about real people or events. Comic books can be a way of encouraging people who don't usually read much to learn about these sorts of stories

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7. Educational

Rather than tell a story, comics can be used to inform or educate directly

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The genre of a comic book can make a difference to the way it looks.

- there are lots of different genres that work with comic books
- some tell longer stories, others are short
- there are **style conventions** associated with different genres

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