Spotlight on Cry

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Cry books are stories where a sad event is a major part of the story. They are very emotional and often deal with heartache and death.

Origins of the Cry genre

We started this genre in the Inaburra Library because of how popular these types of books are.

Sad stories have been around for as long as people have been telling stories.

However in the past few years there has been a popular trend of 'sick lit' books telling realistic, often sad stories about people with chronic or terminal illnesses.

Common themes

Death

Severe illness

Grief

Trauma

Famous cry authors

Nicholas Sparks

John Green

Jodi Picoult

Gayle Forman

Khaled Hosseini