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Through Secondary Cycle 2, you should be reading and producing texts of varying social functions. Use this chart as a reference as to what you are reading and producing.

English Language Arts
Repertoire of Required Genres

Genre	Social functions Social functions are the social messages and meanings carried by different texts. They describe the intention of the text.	Texts Texts can be single mode or media as well as multimodal or multimedia.
Planning	**Planning texts** are used to organize thoughts, ideas and actions and to develop strategies for action and production. They also help us monitor our own learning.	Proposals, Action plans; Field notes; Brainstorming; Rubrics; Checklists; Outlines; Storyboards; Minutes; Transcripts; …
Reflective	**Reflective texts** help us to reflect, think and/or wonder about life, current events, personal experiences, as well as to reflect on our actions and evaluate what we learn.	Journal; Discussion; Response; Interpretation; Self-evaluation; Reflection; Conferences; Log; Writer's Notebook; Blog; …
Narrative	**Narrative texts** are texts that tell stories. They are one of the oldest forms of recording and making sense of human experience. Narrative texts articulate the world of the imagination.	Story; Short story; Poetry; Young adult literature; Graphic novel; Play; Improvisation; Role play; Storytelling; Script; Personal narrative; Photo montage; Sound story; Video montage;…
Explanatory	**Explanatory texts** answer the questions 'why' and 'how'. They describe procedures, processes or phenomena. Explanatory texts appear most often in texts we use for learning all our life, such as reference books, textbooks and encyclopedias.	Photo-essay; How-to guide; Spoken explanation; Illustrated guidelines;…
Expository	**Expository texts** interpret some aspect of the world in a particular way, through a particular lens. There are two types of expository texts: Argumentative and persuasive. *Argumentative texts* try to convince people of a particular point of view about a topic or issue. They do this through a logical sequencing of ideas. *Persuasive texts* try to move people to act or behave in a certain way. This includes selling or promoting a product or idea.	Action research plan; Speech; Editorial; Review; Poster; Debate; Public service announcement, advertisement (in any media); Documentary film; Web site; Blog; Essay; Letter to the editor; …
Reports	Reports describe the way things are or were. They convey, classify and synthesize information in order to name, document and store it for future reference. They focus on a range of natural, cultural or social phenomena.	Interview transcript; News report, Research report; …