

APPENDIX A: SAMPLE LIST OF TEXT FORMS

The following list is not intended to be prescriptive; it is provided to suggest possibilities for expanding students' experiences with different text forms.

Written Texts

- Advertisements
- Biographies and autobiographies
- Brochures, pamphlets, and leaflets
- Catalogues
- Dictionary and grammar items
- Encyclopedia entries
- Folk tales and legends
- Forms
- Graffiti
- Instructions and other “how to” texts
- Invitations
- Journals, agendas, diaries, and logs
- Labels and packaging
- Letters – business and personal
- Lists, notes, personal messages
- Maps
- Menus
- Newspaper and magazine articles
- Plays
- Poetry
- Programs
- Questionnaires
- Recipes

- Reports and manuals
- Short stories and novels
- Signs, notices, and announcements
- Stories
- Textbook articles
- Tickets, timetables, and schedules

Oral Texts

- Advertisements
- Announcements
- Ceremonies
- Debates
- Formal and informal conversations
- Interviews
- Lectures
- Messages
- Oral stories and histories
- Plays and other performances
- Raps
- Reports and presentations
- Songs
- Telephone conversations

Multimedia Texts

- Comic strips
- Computer and board games
- Movies and films
- Slide/tape/CD and video/DVD presentations
- Television programs
- Websites

