



Elements of Science Fiction



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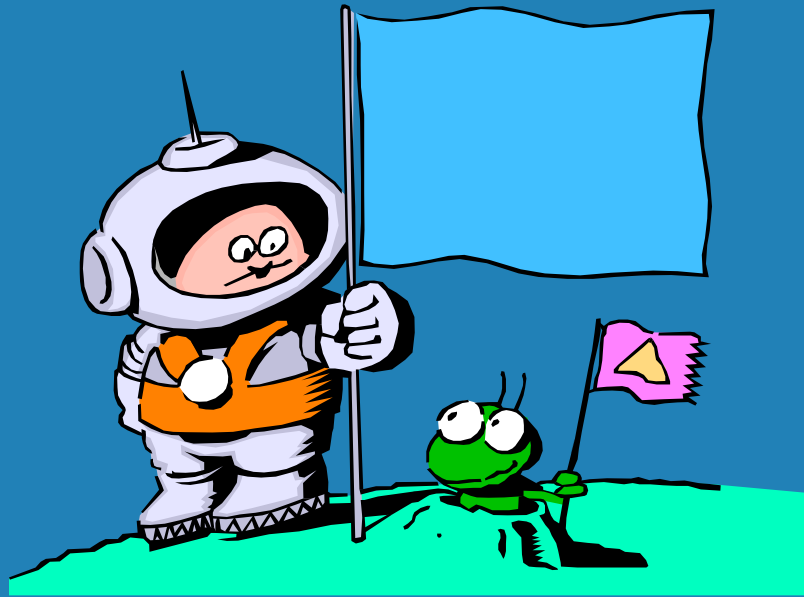
- Definition:
 - A story about the future, based on guesses by the author of how the author thinks the future will be.
 - Example: robots, space travel, interplanetary war, invasions from outer space



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- A type of fantasy, BUT imaginary elements may be possible *in the future* based on scientific laws
 - Improbable made possible

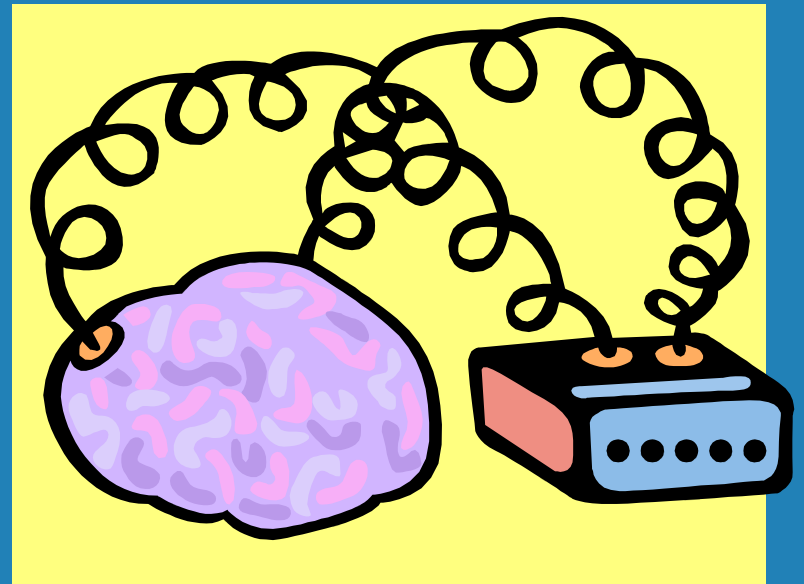
Setting



- often set in the future or some alien universe
- May be set in outer space

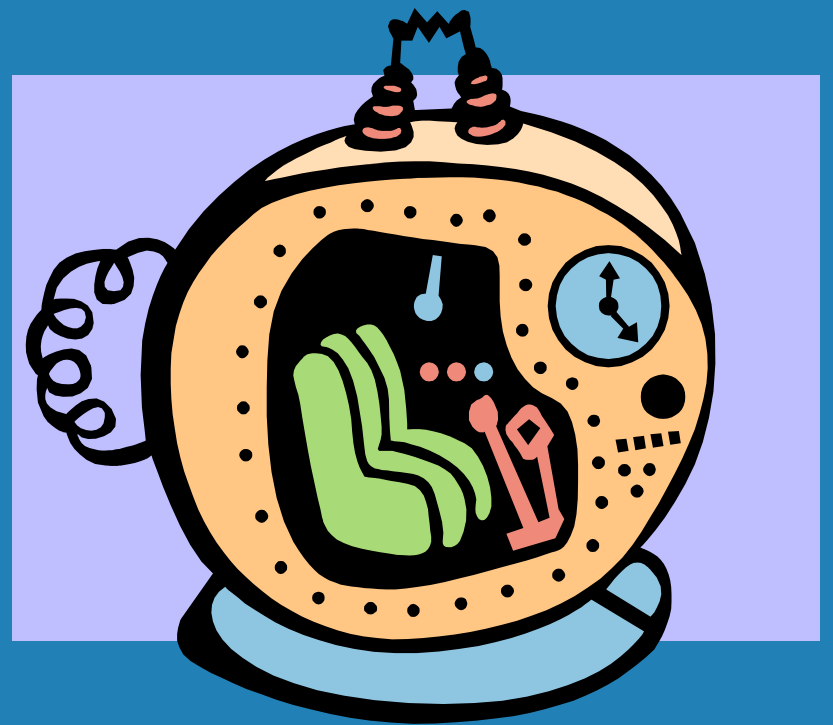
Plot

- science is an integral part of the story
- usually describes events that are based on some scientific or technological idea



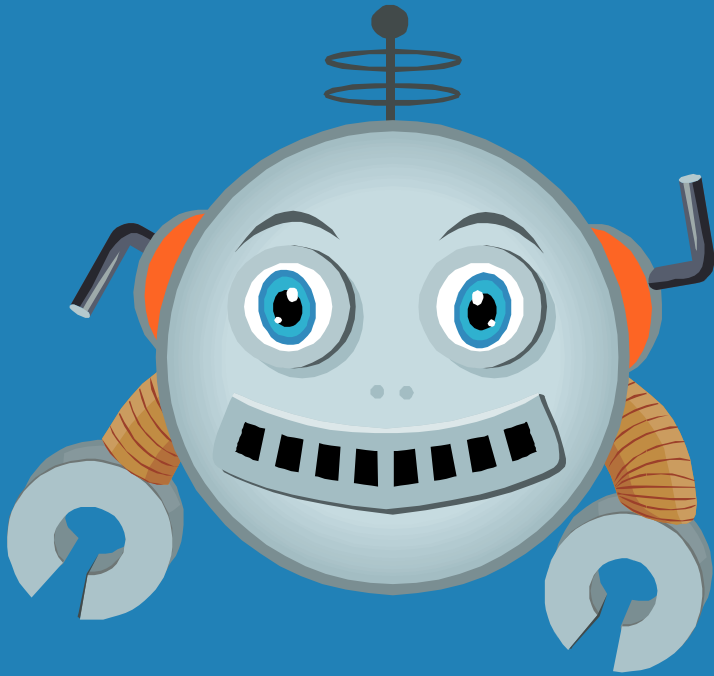
Plot

- time/space travel
- life on other planets
- environmental changes



Characters

- aliens
- robots



Examples

- *The Ear, the Eye and the Arm* by Nancy Farmer
- *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle
- *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
- *The Great Interactive Dream Machine* by Richard Peck
- *Cyberstorm* by Gloria Skurzynski
- *The Night the Heads Came* by William Sleator
- *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins