

**BIBFRAME 2.0 Specification**  
**Categories**

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*This is one of a set of specifications for BIBFRAME 2.0.*

The content type or genre/form of a Work, or the carrier or media for an Instance, are categories of Works and Instances. To express these, the following properties and corresponding classes are defined.

<b>Property</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Example</b>
bf:content	bf:Content	Form of communication in which the content is expressed and the human sense through which it is intended to be perceived.	"text"
bf:genreForm	bf:GenreForm	Characteristics of Works with similar plots, theme, settings, etc. (e.g. westerns, thrillers); or with a particular format or purpose (e.g. animation, short film); or a combination (e.g. "Horror films" where "horror" is the genre and "films" is the form).	"horror films"
bf:carrier	bf:Carrier	Format of the storage medium and housing of a carrier, for an Instance.	"audio disc"
bf:media	bf:Media	General type of intermediation device required to view, play, run, etc., the content of a resource.	"video"

Values may be supplied in the form of an RDF resource, a label, or both.

**Examples**

**Example 1: Carrier "audio disc" - both a resource and a label are supplied.**

```
bf:carrier <http://id.loc.gov/vocabulary/carriers/sd> .
```

```
<http://id.loc.gov/vocabulary/carriers/sd>  
  a          bf:Carrier ;  
  rdfs:label "audio disc" .
```

**Example 2: Carrier “audio disc” - only the label is supplied, no resource**

```
bf:carrier [  
  a          bf:Carrier ;  
  rdfs:label "audio disc" ] .
```

**Example 3: Carrier “audio disc” - only the resource is supplied, no label**

```
bf:carrier < http://id.loc.gov/vocabulary/carriers/sd> .
```

**Example 4: Genre/Form “poetry” – both a resource and a label are supplied**

```
bf:genreForm <http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects/sh99001678.html> .
```

```
<http://id.loc.gov/authorities/subjects/sh99001678.html>  
  a          bf:GenreForm ;  
  rdfs:label "poetry" .
```