

## **Abstract**

The bachelor's thesis focuses on the historical development of fiction as a literary genre, from the early modern period to the present. This trend is observed in the Czech Republic and abroad. Besides the development we can find here as well the definitions of particular genres.

The thesis then examines how public libraries are facing to the current trend of popularity of the fiction. The problems associated with the description of documents, construction of the fund, and acquisition are mentioned as well as benefits from the popularity of the genre – when libraries use fiction to their promotion.

The conclusion briefly surveys current state of the book market and its share which is occupied by the fiction.

In the supplement a brief list of fiction subgenres can be found.