



# Text Structure

The structure of a text means the way that an author organizes the information. There are different ways to organize a text, depending on what it is about and what its purpose is.

<b>chronological</b>	Presents things in the order in which they happened (dates/times).
<b>compare and contrast</b>	Presents the similarities and differences between two or more things.
<b>cause and effect</b>	Explains the effect that one person, thing, or event has on another.
<b>sequential</b>	Presents information in a step-by-step way.
<b>problem/solution</b>	Presents a problem and then a solution to that problem.
<b>order of importance</b>	Puts the most important information first, and the less important information later.
<b>Descriptive</b>	Presents a main idea, and then provides evidence for that main idea with supporting details.

**Title of Text:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. What is this text about?

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2. What is the structure? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How do you know? Identify a key phrase or sentence from the text as evidence the text uses the structure that you identified.

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