



Text Structure

DIRECTIONS: Read each passage and identify how the information is being organized. Answers will be used more than once.

- _____ 1. Ideas and events are presented in the order in which they happen.
- _____ 2. Clue words include *because, since, therefore, so* and *for this reason*.
- _____ 3. The author makes a general statement and then supports it with specific examples.
- _____ 4. Clue words include *for example, for instance, specifically, etc.*
- _____ 5. The author uses language designed to help the reader visualize something.
- _____ 6. Two or more subjects are discussed at the same time, with the author pointing out what is the same about them, and what is different.
- _____ 7. Clue words include *on the other hand, but, like, similarly, on the contrary, etc.*
- _____ 8. The author organizes information by asking a question and then answering it.
- _____ 9. Clue words include *first, second, next, last* and *finally*.
- _____ 10. Information is organized in a simple list. Clues: words like *first, second, third*, and so on.
- _____ 11. Clue words include *who, what, where, when, why* and *how*.
- _____ 12. The author explains how two things are related to each other or gives reasons why something has happened or why something is a certain way.
- _____ 13. Clue words include a lot of adjectives, adverbs and vivid verbs

- A. Cause & Effect
- B. Spatial/Descriptive
- C. Chronological
- D. Sequence/Process
- E. Compare/Contrast
- F. Question/Answer
- G. Enumeration/Description
- H. Listing