

TEXT STRUCTURE

the organizational pattern a
writer uses to present
information in a nonfiction
text

EXPOSITORY TEXT

informational text that
explains something to the
reader

INFORM

when an author teaches or
gives the reader information

TEXT FEATURES

devices used in text to help
reader understand
expository (nonfiction) text

TABLE OF CONTENTS

this helps the reader find the
topics in the text in the order
they are presented

CAPTIONS

words, phrases, or
sentences that help the
reader understand a picture,
photograph or illustration

TYPES OF PRINT

bold
italic
highlighted

PHOTOGRAPHS

pictures taken with cameras
to show how objects appear
in real life

MAPS / GRAPHS

visual images of a
geographic features or
information (usually has a
key or distance scale)

HEADINGS SUBHEADINGS

title, subtitle or topic located
at beginning of paragraph,
letter, or chapter