
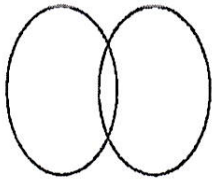
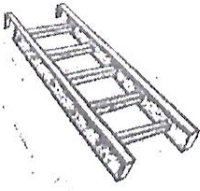
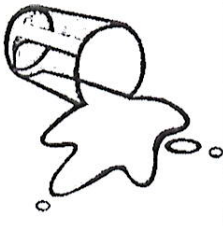

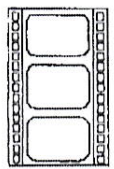
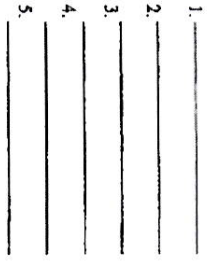
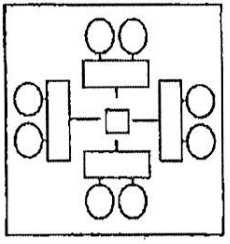
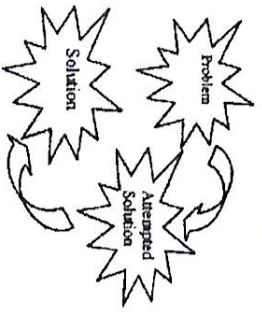
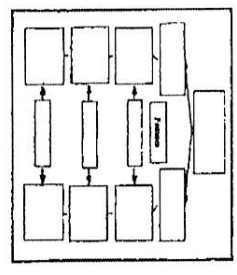
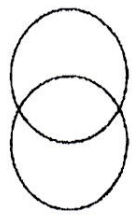
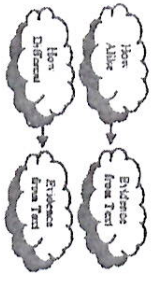
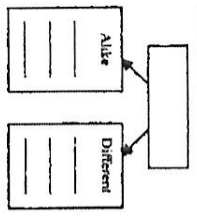


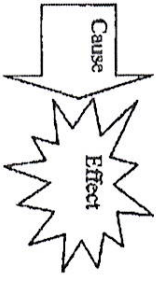
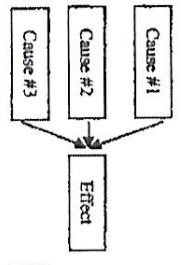
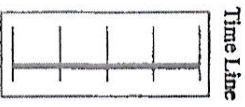
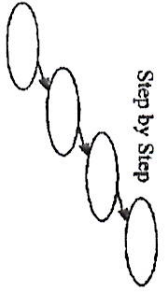
Text Structure Signal Questions & Signal Words

Cause and Effect	Compare and Contrast	Sequence	Problem and Solution	Description
				
<p>Cause is why something happened. Effect is what happened. (Sometimes the effect is listed first.)</p>	<p>Shows how two or more things are alike and/or how they are different.</p>	<p>Describes items or events in order or tells the steps to follow to do something or make something.</p>	<p>Tells about a problem (and sometimes says why there is a problem) then gives one or more possible solutions.</p>	<p>A topic, idea, person, place, or thing is described by listing its features, characteristics, or examples.</p>
Signal Questions				
<p>What happened? Why did it happen? What caused it to happen?</p>	<p>What things are being compared? In what ways are they alike? In what ways are they different?</p>	<p>What items, events, or steps are listed? Do they have to happen in this order? Do they always happen in this order?</p>	<p>What is the problem? Why is this a problem? Is anything being done to try to solve the problem? What can be done to solve the problem?</p>	<p>What specific topic, person, idea, or thing is being described? How is it being described (what does it look like, how does it work, what does it do, etc.)? What is important to remember about it?</p>
Signal Words				
<p>So Because Since Therefore If...then This led to Reason why As a result May be due to Effect of Consequently For this reason</p>	<p>Same as Similar Alike As well as Not only...but also Both Instead of Either...or On the other hand Different from As opposed to</p>	<p>First Second Next Then Before After Finally Following Not long after Now Soon</p>	<p>Question is... Dilemma is... The puzzle is... To solve this... One answer is... One reason for the problem is...</p>	<p>For instance Such as... To begin with An example To illustrate Characteristics</p> <p>*Look for the topic word (or a synonym or pronoun) to be repeated</p>

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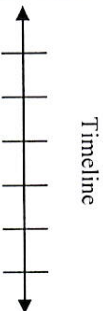
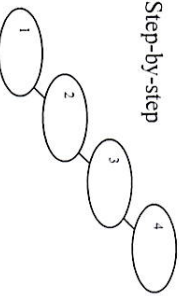
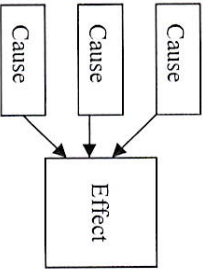
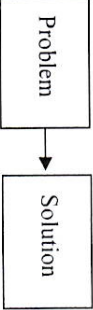
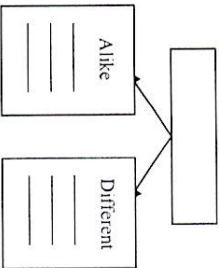
Step by Step



Text Structure Worksheet 10

Directions: read each of the following passages and complete the following steps on a separate of paper.

- Write the main idea
- Write how the text is **mainly** organized
- Put key information from the text into the appropriate graphic organizer.

Chronological	Sequence	Cause and Effect	Problem and Solution	Compare and Contrast
 <p>Timeline</p>	 <p>Step-by-step</p>	 <p>Cause Cause Cause</p> <p>Effect</p>	 <p>Problem</p> <p>Solution</p>	 <p>Alike</p> <p>Different</p>

1. What's that in the sky? Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No, it's a firework! Fireworks capture the attention of crowds around the world, but how do they work? First, the firework is stuffed into a tube loaded with gunpowder. This is the mortar. Second, a fuse that leads to the mortar is lit. When the fuse ignites the gunpowder in the mortar, an explosion launches the firework into the air. A fuse on the firework is lit at the same time as the mortar fuse, but this fuse burns slower, allowing the firework to get into the air before it explodes. After it has risen to its peak, the firework should explode, causing tiny pieces of metal to burn in different colors as they scatter outward. Ooooooh!

2. Fireworks are beautiful; but as with many beautiful things, they are also dangerous. Misusing fireworks can result in property damage, injury, and even the loss of life. Such accidents usually happen for one of two reasons. The operators may be using poorly manufactured products, such as fireworks with fuses that burn too quickly. A defective firework can cause even the most skilled operator to have an accident. Other times, however, it is the operator who is at fault. The operator may be unskilled or distracted and make a mistake, such as setting up an explosion sequence improperly or not accounting for conditions in the environment, like soundproof foaming. For these reasons even the most beautiful fireworks display can turn really ugly really quickly.

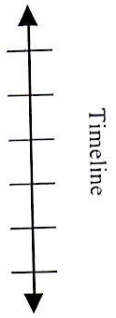
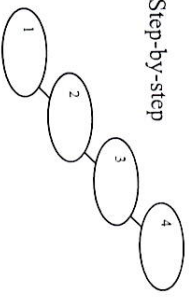
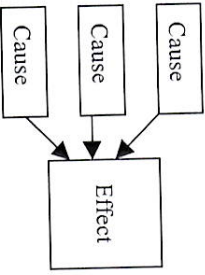
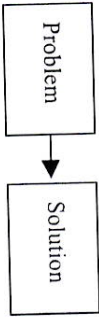
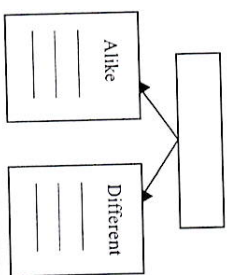
3. Fireworks have been around for at least as long as gunpowder. Both gunpowder and fireworks are Chinese inventions. During the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth centuries, fireworks were commonly sold in Chinese markets as a way to get rid of evil spirits. During the thirteenth century, Chinese merchants developed rocket propulsion. This allowed fireworks to travel great distances, much like they do today. In the 17th century, Chinese fireworks were popularized in Europe. After becoming popular with the British, fireworks spread all over their vast empire. Nowadays people around the world celebrate with fireworks. Whether at a sporting event, concert, or public gathering, fireworks signal a great celebration.

4. There is an increase in firework related injuries every year around the Fourth of July. Emergency rooms around the city become filled with children and adults suffering from wounds and burns inflicted by fireworks. But you don't have to suffer from these injuries. Keep yourself safe by staying away from fireworks. If you see someone who is not a professional playing with fireworks, take that as your cue to leave. If everyone stayed away from fireworks, there wouldn't be any fireworks related injuries. You can't control everyone, but you can control yourself. If you remember that accidents happen, you can keep them from happening to you. Stay away from amateur firework displays this Fourth of July.

Name: _____

Text Structure Worksheet 13

Directions: Read the passages and determine how each is mainly structured. On a sheet of paper, put the information from each passage into an appropriate graphic organizer. The following graphic organizers are examples. Feel free to make changes if necessary.

Chronological	Sequence	Cause and Effect	Problem and Solution	Compare and Contrast
 <p>Timeline</p>	 <p>Step-by-step</p>			

1. Having a dog in your home can serve many purposes, but living with a poorly trained dog is not worth the mess. These mangy mutts will go potty inside of your home. This can stain your floors and make your house smell bad. In order to prevent this you have to teach your dog to go potty outside. This may require you to go on a lot more walks with your dog. You may have to sit outside for long periods of time while you are waiting for your dog to use it. But it will be worth it to not have a bunch of dog mess all over your house. So if you love your dog but hate cleaning dog-doo off of the rug, teach your dog the right way to go.

2. If you want to form a strong relationship with your dog, try playing fetch. It's fun and easy to do, and if everything goes well your dog should do most of the fetching. Just find something that your dog wants to retrieve, such as a stick, a thick rope tied in knots, or a squeaky toy. Show it to your dog to get his or her interest. Shake it around in your hand and call out the dog's name. Once they are paying attention, throw the object as far as you can. Be careful not to throw it anywhere that you wouldn't want your dog to go, like the middle of the road or under a china cabinet. Hopefully your dog will bring the object back to you. When he or she does, praise your dog and command him or her to drop the object. Pick it up and repeat the process for the next 10 to 15 years.

3. The lion is often thought of as the king of the jungle, but the African wild dog may be a better hunter. Both lions and African wild dogs are pack animals and have females lead their hunts, but they have different hunting styles. Although lions are very fast, they do not have much stamina. They attack in short, ferocious bursts because they get tired quickly. On the other hand, African wild dogs are not very fast, but they have incredible stamina. They can run for hours and often chase their prey to exhaustion. Dr. George Schaller studied African wild dogs in the Serengeti and found that 9 out of 10 of their hunts ended in kills, while lions are only successful in 3 out of 10 hunts. So you see, it's not always good to be king.

4. I started working on my history project right after I came home. I spent over six hours building the Great Pyramid of Giza out of sugar cubes. It took a long time but it looked beautiful when I was done. I went to sleep around midnight feeling good about my work, but when I woke up the next morning, I was shocked to find that my sugar cube pyramid had been completely destroyed. Much of it was crushed and melted and there was a trail of sugar cubes leading out of my room. I followed the trail across the hallway and down the stairs, where it led to my dog. He was curled up in pain. I wanted to punish him for what he did, but he looked so sick from eating all of that glue and sugar. I figured that he had already received his punishment and would think twice about eating my homework again.

5. There's a reason why dogs are called "man's best friend." The good friendship that we have with dogs is thousands of years old and, as with most good friendships, was formed by mutual benefit. Dogs are of great value to people because they use their keen senses to detect threats and alert their owners by barking. You may find your dog's yapping to be quite annoying, but under some circumstances it can be quite helpful. But people are of great value to dogs too. Dogs who live with people usually have easier access to food and a safer place to stay than they would on their own, and that truly is what friends are for.