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# **Informational Text: Text Structures**



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## Text Structure Organizer

problem/solution An example is:	
cause & effect An example is:	
compare/contrast An example is:	

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description/list An example is:	
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Other observations:	

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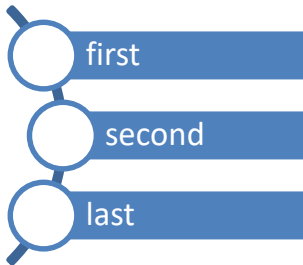
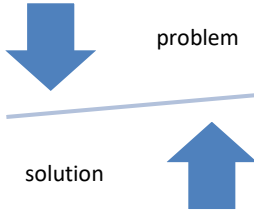
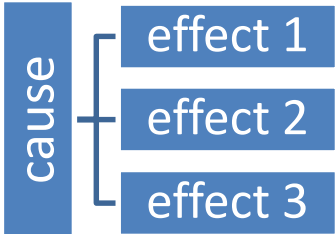
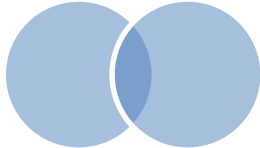
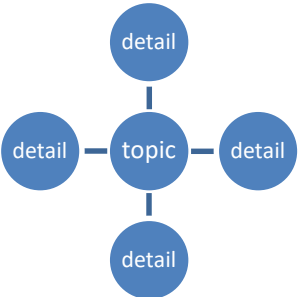
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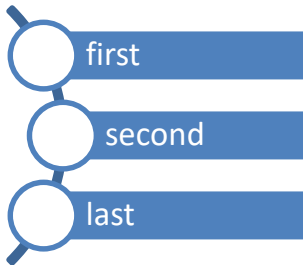
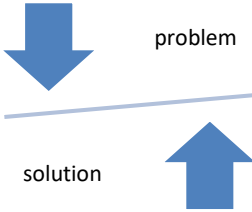
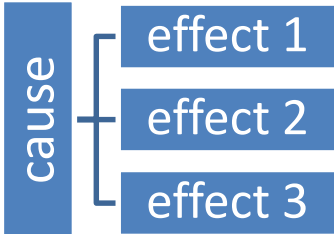
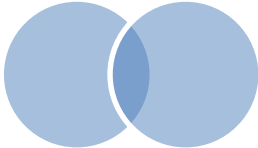
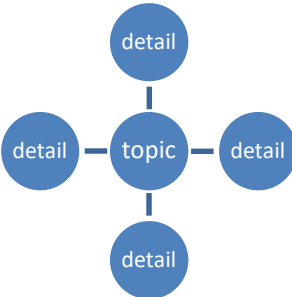
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**What key words helped me identify the text structure?**

**What is the text structure?**

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**description**

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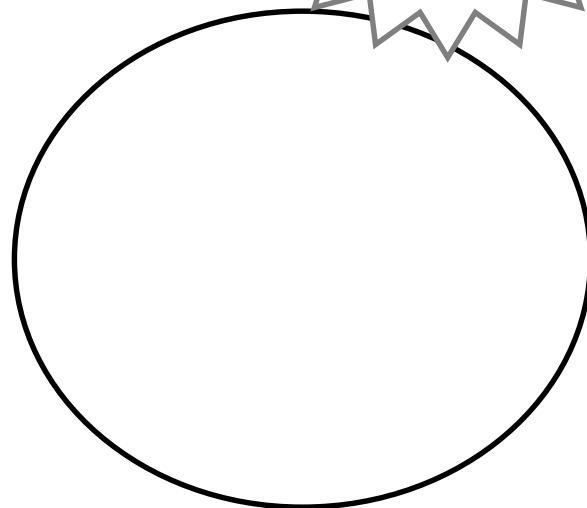
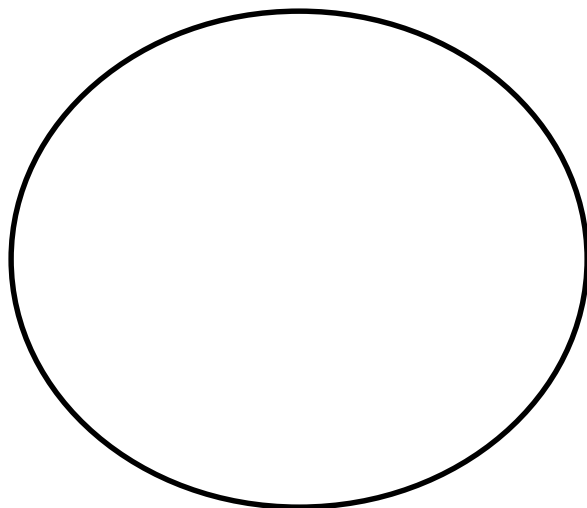
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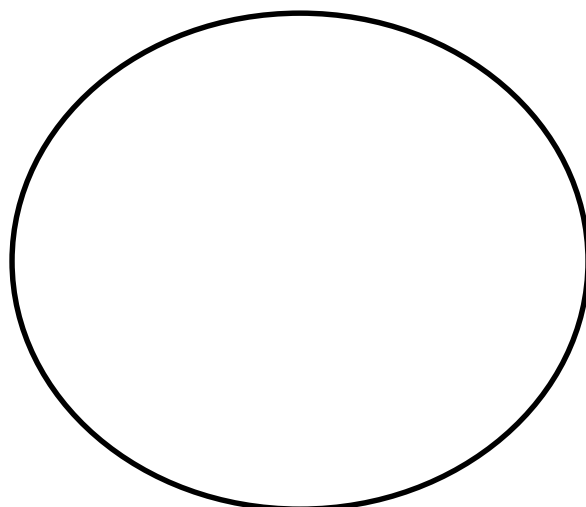
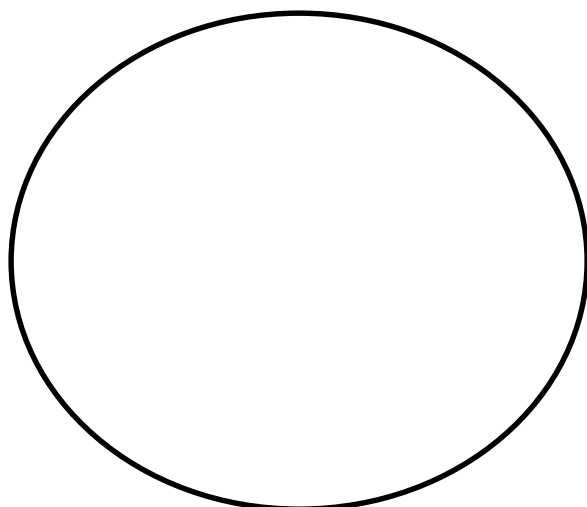
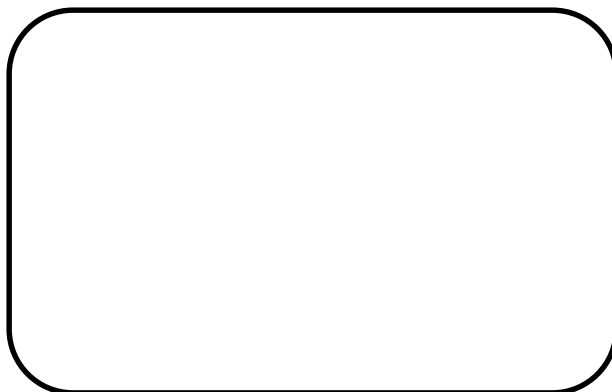
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Text: \_\_\_\_\_

***description***



main idea



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The topic is...

**focus on:  
description**

details

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The topic is...

**focus on:**  
**sequence**

The steps  
are...

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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description**

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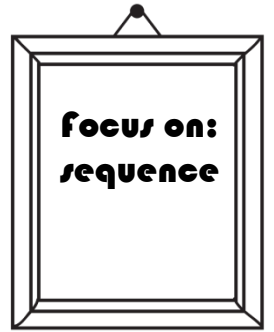
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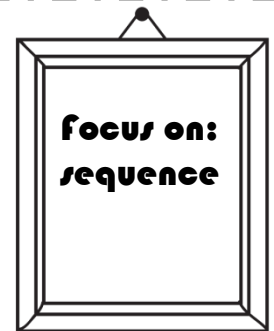


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key words  
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The cause is:	Effects:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Text: \_\_\_\_\_

## Focus on: Sequence

<b>The topic is</b>	
<b>The steps are:</b>	1.
	2.
	3.
	4.
	5.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Text: \_\_\_\_\_

**cause &  
effect**

**The topic is:**

The cause is:

Effect 1

Effect 2

Effect 3

Effect 4



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Text: \_\_\_\_\_

**problem &  
solution**

**The topic is:**

The problem is:

Possible solution #1:

Possible solution #2:

Possible solution #3:

Possible solution #4:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Text:

**focus on:  
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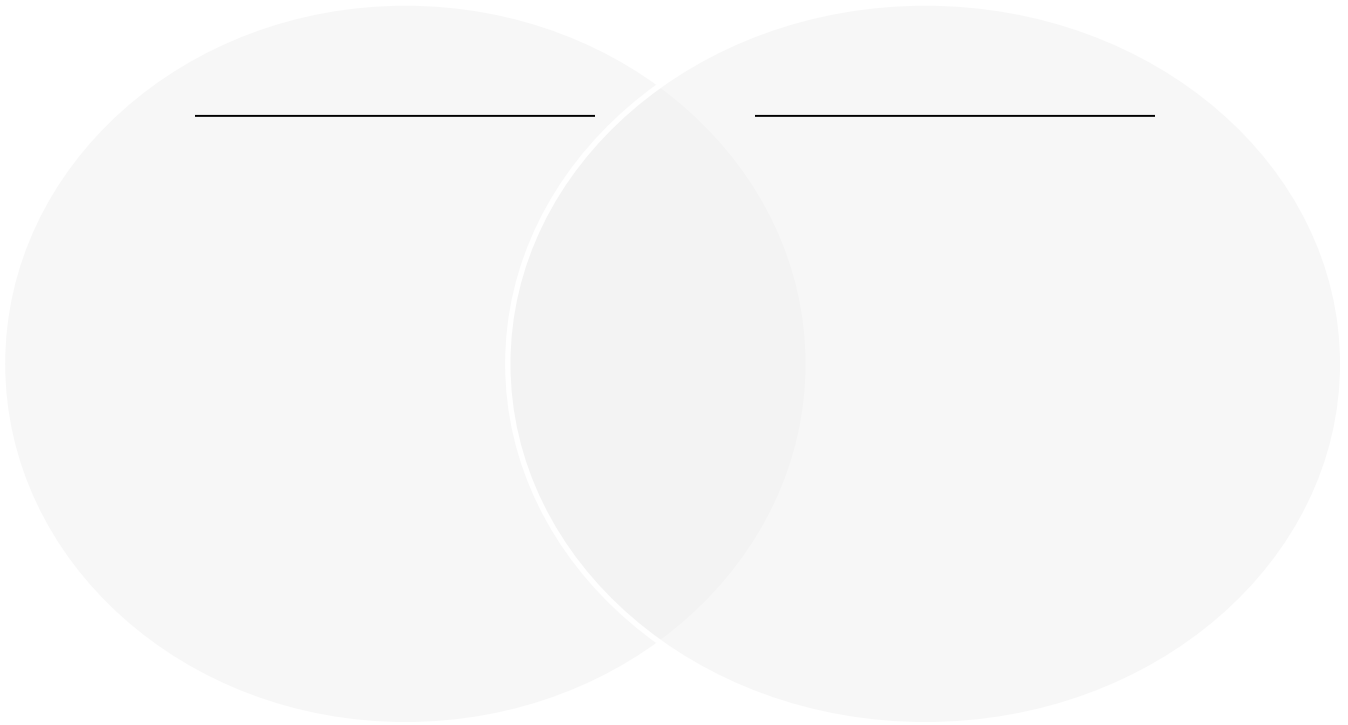
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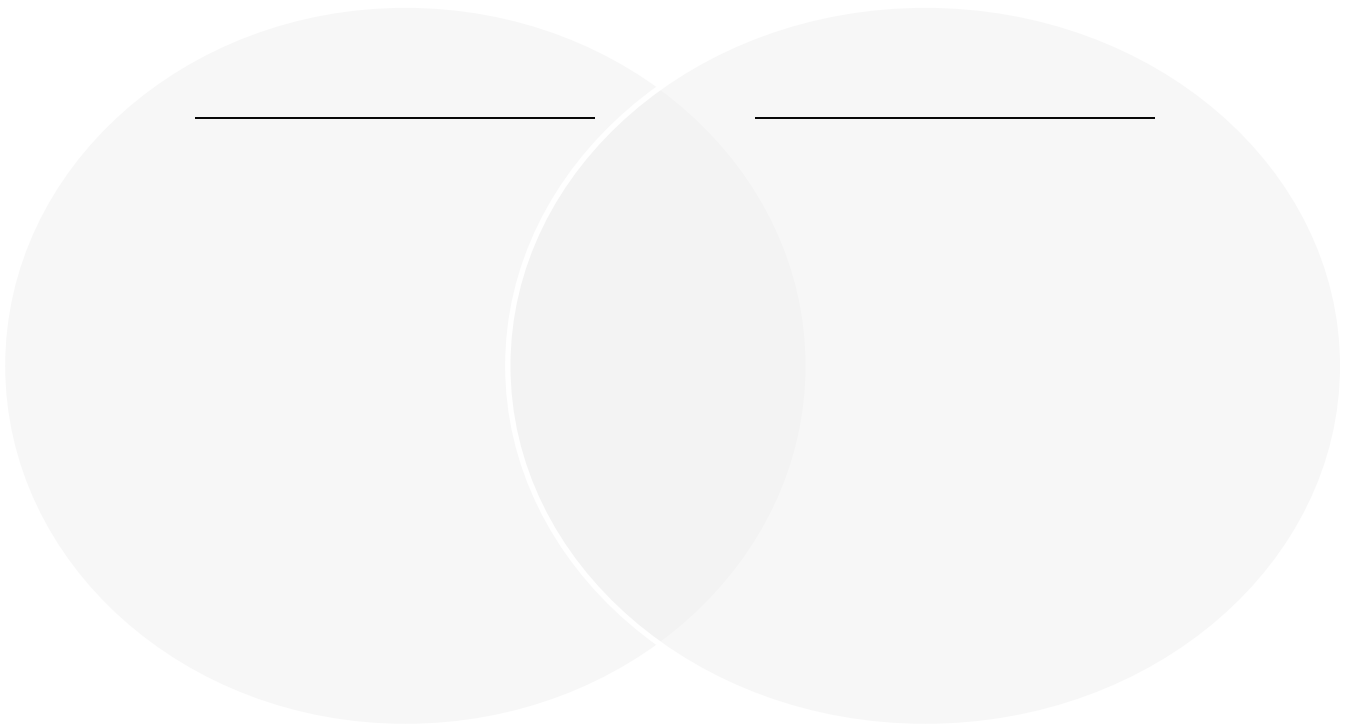
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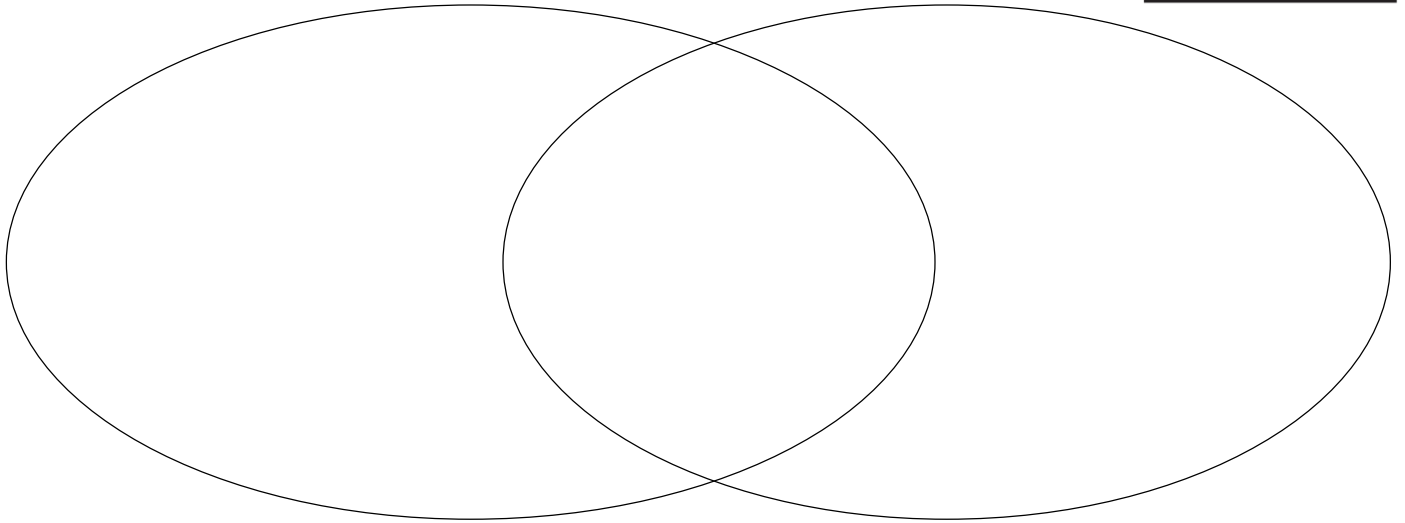
## Text Structure: Compare & Contrast

The text I read is/ the topic is:	
Similarities shared are:	
Differences shared are:	

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The topic is...

**focus on:  
comparing &  
contrasting**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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