

Teaching Writers to **PARAPHRASE**

Learning how to paraphrase is KEY to helping writers take information and write it in their own voice.

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NONFICTION FREEBIES!

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nonfiction Text Features Chart

Nonfiction Text Features

Captions are words near a picture or photograph to help readers better understand it.	Comparisons help readers picture things in their head. Example: This shark is as big as a school bus. Hint: Look towards the back of the book.	Glossary Similar to a dictionary, a glossary helps readers define words from the book. Hint: Look towards the back of the book.
Graphics may include charts, graphs, or cutaways. They are used to help readers better understand what the author is saying.	Illustrations & Photographs help readers see exactly what something or someone looks like.	Index is an alphabetical list of ideas that are in the book. It tells readers what page the idea is on. friction - p. 15
Labels help readers identify a picture or a photograph and its parts.	Maps help readers understand where something is in the world.	Special Print When a word is bold , in <i>italics</i> , or <u>underlined</u> , it is an important word for readers to know.
Text Features help organize information in the book so readers know what's important!	Subtitles are special headings that help readers know what the next section of text will be about.	Table of Contents helps readers identify key topics in the book in the order they are presented. Hint: Look towards the front of the book.

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Problem/Solution The author will introduce a problem and tell you how the problem could be (or has been) fixed. There may be one solution to fix the problem or several different solutions mentioned. Read life example: advertisements in magazines for products.	Cause & Effect The author describes something that has happened which has had an effect on or caused something else to happen. It could be a good effect or a bad effect. There may be more than one cause and there may also be more than one effect. Read life example: A newspaper article is written about a volcano eruption, which had an effect on flights and tourism.
Compare & Contrast The author's purpose is to tell you how two things are the same and how they are different by comparing them. Read life example: A bargain hunter writing an article about buying store-brand items and how it compares with buying name-brand items.	Description or List With this structure, the author often tells a lot of information (or lots of facts) about a certain subject. It's up to the reader to determine what he thinks is important and sometimes even interesting enough to remember. Read life example: A soccer coach writes a letter, describing to parents exactly what kind of cleats to buy for their kids.
Time Order or Sequence Information in the text is written in a specific order or timeline format. Read life examples: recipes, directions, events in history.	

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Nonfiction Retelling chart

My Brain's Not MUSH with Nonfiction

M **U** **S** **H**

- 1. Main Idea**
What is the text mostly about? Look for details and facts about it.
- 2. Uncover the Purpose**
Why did the author write the text? What was his/her purpose?
- 3. Structure**
What is the text structure? Use this to help you retell.
- 4. Helps**
Text features like the title, headings, and images help you know what's important!

I can retell nonfiction!

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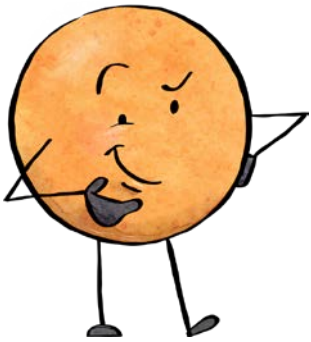
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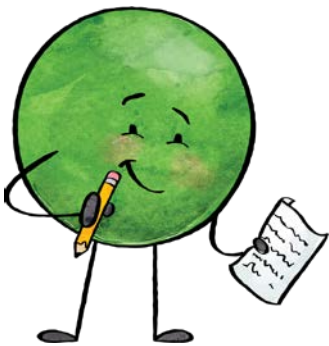


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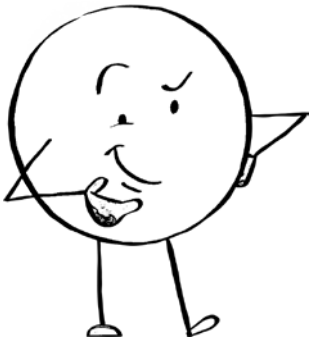
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