

Asking Questions

Title: _____

What is one question you have about the information in your book?

Use the chart below to see if the features of nonfiction text can help you answer your question.

Text Feature	Yes	No
Look at the photographs in your book. Can you find the answer there?		
Look at the captions in your book. Can you find the answer there?		
Look at the table of contents in your book. Can you find the answer there?		
Look at the index in your book. Can you find the answer there?		
Look at the glossary in your book. Can you find the answer there?		
I found my answer! Here it is:	I am still looking for an answer. I will look ...	

Directions:

1. Answer each of the questions.
2. Carefully cut on the dotted line.
3. Glue, tape, or staple into your Reader's Notebook.

Determining Importance

Title: _____

What is the topic of your book?

Which of the following features of nonfiction text were used in your book?

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Captions | <input type="checkbox"/> Index | <input type="checkbox"/> Subtitles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diagrams | <input type="checkbox"/> Labels | <input type="checkbox"/> Table of Contents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Glossary | <input type="checkbox"/> Lists | <input type="checkbox"/> Timelines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Graphs | <input type="checkbox"/> Maps | <input type="checkbox"/> Titles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Headings | <input type="checkbox"/> Photographs | <input type="checkbox"/> Types of Print |

Tell how three of the text features helped you determine importance using the chart below.

Text Feature	Fact I Learned from the Text Feature	Why this Fact is Important

Directions:

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Identifying the Author's Purpose

Title: _____

Who is the author of your book?

Authors write nonfiction books to inform, or teach, us about a topic. What topic did the author teach you about?

Circle the nonfiction text features you see in your book.

Photographs

Glossary

Index

Captions

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Choose one text feature. Tell why you think the author used the text feature to teach you about the topic of your book.

Text Feature	Why the Author Used the Text Feature

Directions:

1. Answer each of the questions.
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Making Connections

Title: _____

Circle the nonfiction text features you see in your book.

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Name one text feature that helped you make a connection.

Circle the type of connection you made.

Text-to-Text	Text-to-Self	Text-to-World
I have read about this before.	This reminds me of something that happened in my life.	This reminds me of something that happened in the real world.

Tell about your connection.

Tell About the Text Feature	Tell About Your Connection

Directions:

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Making Inferences

Title: _____

Circle the nonfiction text features you see in your book.

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Use the chart below to tell how you used a text feature to make an inference.

Nonfiction Text Feature	Feature Clues	What I Know
Which feature did you use?	What clues did the text feature give you?	What do you know about the clue?

I can infer...

Directions:

1. Answer each of the questions.
2. Carefully cut on the dotted line.
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Making Predictions

Title: _____

Circle the nonfiction text features in your book.

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Maps

Titles

Headings

Photographs

Types of Print

Choose two text features from your book that helped you make predictions. Tell about your predictions by completing the chart below.

Text Feature	Prediction	My prediction was...
1.		Correct Incorrect
2.		Correct Incorrect

Were any of your predictions incorrect? If so, why?

Directions:

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Retelling and Summarizing

Title: _____

What is the topic of your book?

List the features of nonfiction text that can be found in your book.

Complete the chart below by summarizing what you learned from the text features in your book.

Text Feature	What I Learned from the Text Feature
1.	
Page Number:	
2.	
Page Number:	
3.	
Page Number:	

Directions:

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Synthesizing
Title: _____

Tell how how a nonfiction text feature in your book helped you understand the topic of your book by completing the chart below.

The topic of my book is:

Before I read the book, I thought...	Then I saw a feature of nonfiction text (circle one below)	The text feature helped change my thinking by...
	Pictures Captions Table of Contents Glossary Index	
This picture shows what I used to think about the topic of my book.	This picture shows how my thoughts about the topic of my book changed.	

Directions:

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Understanding Text Structure

Title: _____

Tell how how the text features in your book helped you understand text structures by completing the charts below.

Text Feature	
Text Structure	
How the text feature helped me understand the text structure	

Text Feature	
Text Structure	
How the text feature helped me understand the text structure	

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Visualizing

Title: _____

List three nonfiction text features in your book.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Which text feature helped you visualize the information in your book?

Draw a picture of your mental image.



How did visualizing the information help you as a reader?

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