

Reading Study Guide

Name: _____

Test on Monday, January 22nd

1. Know the 4 different structures of nonfiction. Be able to identify the organizational pattern of a passage.

- a. Sequence
- b. Compare and Contrast
- c. Cause and Effect
- d. Problem and Solution

Practice:

- a. American football and rugby are similar in some ways. They both have a leather ball in similar shape. The key difference between a field goal in the two sports is that an American football field goal attempt is normally kicked with a teammate holding the ball, whereas in rugby league the field goal is attempted using a drop-kick. A similar concept in rugby league is the penalty goal.

Structure: _____

- b. Sea turtles are an endangered species because they suffer from poaching and habitat destruction as well as the impact of climate change. We can solve this problem by minimizing beach lighting, keeping beaches free of trash, and not disturbing nesting females.

Structure: _____

- c. The first ancient Olympic Games can be traced back to 776 BC. They continued for nearly 12 centuries, until Emperor Theodosius decreed in 393 A.D. that all such "pagan cults" be banned. In 1894, Baron Pierre de Coubertin founded the International Olympic Committee. Since then, the world has held an Olympic Games every four years, except during World War II. The next Olympics will be held on February 9th, 2018.

Structure: _____

- d. When water is heated, the molecules move quickly, therefore the water boils.

Structure: _____

2. Know how to identify the different text features.

- Subtitles: Gives you a better understanding of what the article will be about, basically tells you the main idea.
- Headings: Tells you what that section will be about

- Graphics: Charts, graphs, or cutaways are used to help you understand what the author is trying to tell you
- Illustrations/Photographs: Help you to know exactly what something looks like
- Captions: Help you better understand a picture or photograph
- Labels: These help you identify a picture or a photograph and its parts
- Maps: help you to understand where places are in the world
- Special Print: When a word is **bold**, in *italics*, or underlined, it is an ***important*** word for you to know
- Table of Contents: Helps you identify key topics in the book in the order they are presented

3. Know the difference between a fact and an opinion.

Definitions:

- Fact: _____
- Opinion: _____

Practice:

Identify which sentences are facts and which are opinions. Why?

1. Chicken has more protein than carrots.

Fact or Opinion Explain:

2. The more money someone has the more successful they are.

Fact or Opinion Explain:

3. Vegetarians are healthier than people who eat meat.

Fact or Opinion Explain:

4. Cell phones emit radiation that may or may not cause brain cancer.

Fact or Opinion Explain:

5. Popular music today is not as good as it was in the past.

Fact or Opinion Explain:

6. It is illegal to yell out "Fire" in a crowded movie theater.

Fact or Opinion Explain:
