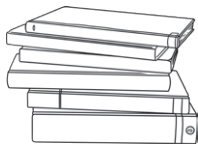# Informational Text Features

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Introduction

An introduction engages the audience, provides context, and often includes a thesis statement to convey the main purpose and direction of the writing.

Bold, Italics, and Underlining

Bold, *italics*, and underlining are formatting styles used in writing to emphasize or highlight words or phrases for various purposes, such as making text stand out, indicating titles or foreign words, or providing visual cues for emphasis.

Headings and Subheadings

Headings are like big titles that divide a document into sections, and subheadings are like smaller titles that help organize and clarify information within those sections.

Bullet Points and Numbered Lists

Bullet points and numbered lists organize information in a clear and structured way. Bullet points provide a list of items without a specific order, and numbered lists offer items in sequential or prioritized order.

Captions

Captions are short descriptions or explanations accompanying pictures or illustrations, helping to provide context and information about what is shown in the image.

Table of Contents

A table of contents is like a map at the beginning of a book, listing the main sections or chapters and their page numbers, allowing readers to find and navigate to specific parts of the book quickly.
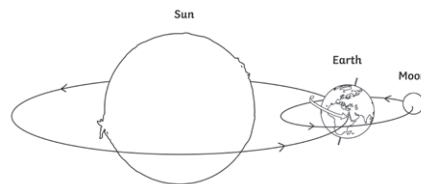
Glossary and Index

A glossary provides definitions for special or unfamiliar terms used in the text at the end of the book. An index is like a reference guide at the back of the book, listing key words or topics along with page numbers to help readers find specific information within the book quickly.

Diagrams

Diagrams explain or enhance concepts, making it easier for readers to understand complex ideas or information.
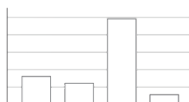
Sun

Earth

Moon

Photos and Illustrations

Photos are real pictures, while illustrations are drawings, and both help make a text more interesting and easier to understand.

Maps, Charts, and Graphs

Maps show places, charts organize data, and graphs display trends visually to help us understand information better.

Textboxes

Textboxes are like small containers in a document or page, used to highlight or separate specific text, making it stand out and drawing the reader's attention to important information.

Key Words

Key words are special words or phrases that are essential for understanding the main points or ideas in a text, and they often indicate the core topics or concepts being discussed.