

Critical Concepts 6.5A

Non Fiction Formative Assessments

Quick Quiz: text structure and how sections of a text support overall structure and develop ideas.

Format: 5 questions, mix of multiple-choice and short response, 8–10 min max.

Part 1: Multiple Choice (3 Questions)

Directions: Read each question carefully. Choose the best answer.

1. Which of the following best defines “chronological order” text structure?
 - A. Describes what something is like using vivid detail.
 - B. Explains how two ideas are the same and different.
 - C. Presents events or information in the order they happened.
 - D. Shows how one event causes another event to happen.

2. An author describes how a science experiment is performed, step by step. What is the most likely text structure?
 - A. Cause and effect
 - B. Sequential order
 - C. Descriptive
 - D. Problem and solution

3. In a cause-and-effect structure, the “effect” is:
 - A. The challenge the author presents
 - B. A comparison of two different ideas
 - C. The result of an event or situation
 - D. The step-by-step directions

Part 2: Short Constructed Response (2 Questions)

Directions: Answer in 1–2 complete sentences.

4. In your own words, explain how a paragraph can fit into the overall structure of a text.

5. Read the following paragraph and identify the structure. Then explain how it contributes to the development of the main idea.

Paragraph:

"Cesar Chavez began organizing farm workers in 1962. Over the next several years, he led strikes and boycotts, including a nationwide grape boycott in 1965. His peaceful protests helped change laws and improve working conditions."

Structure: _____

Explanation: _____

Exit Ticket Options (Choose 1 or Rotate Throughout the Week)

Exit Ticket 1: One Sentence Summary

Choose a paragraph from today's text.

Write one sentence explaining how that paragraph fits into the overall structure and supports the author's main idea.

Exit Ticket 2: Text Structure Match

Match the paragraph you read today to one of the six text structures.

Then, complete this sentence:

"This paragraph fits into the ____ structure because..."

Exit Ticket 3: Sketch the Structure

Draw a quick visual or symbol to represent the structure of today's text (e.g., a timeline for chronological, puzzle for problem/solution).

Write one sentence explaining what your visual shows.

Exit Ticket 4: Structure + Contribution

Answer the following:

1. What is the structure of the text or section you read?

2. How does that section help the author explain or support their main idea?
