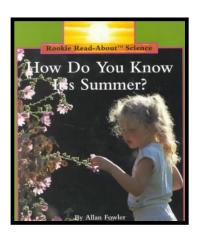
Informational Text Features

Objective:

 Identify and use the following text features in order to locate information quickly: captions, bold print, headings, subheadings, glossaries, indexes, electronic menus, & icons



Procedure:

- 1. Preview an informational text. Make a list of the text features and their purposes.
- 2. Explain to students that as you read you will also be looking at author's craft.
- 3. Allow students to look closely at the way in which an informational text is organized. Ask them to think about why the author arranged the book in this manner.
- 4. Choose one page to look at for the purpose of paragraphs in organizing information in a the text. Students will need a copy of that page so that they can note specific topics covered within paragraphs. It is important to pick a page where topical chunks are arranged by paragraph.
- 5. Students practice writing paragraphs about one of the topics in the informational text (include a strong topic sentence, detailed information, a satisfying conclusion).

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