TEXT STRUCTURE NOTES

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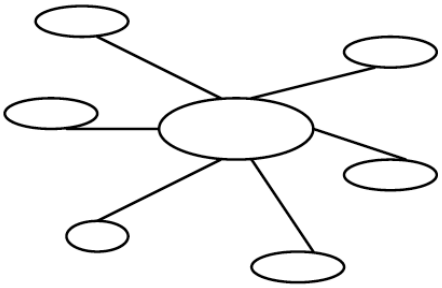
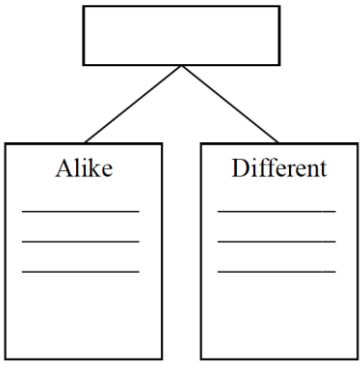
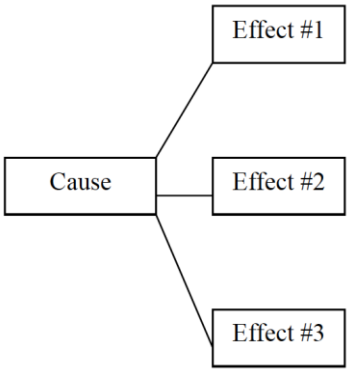
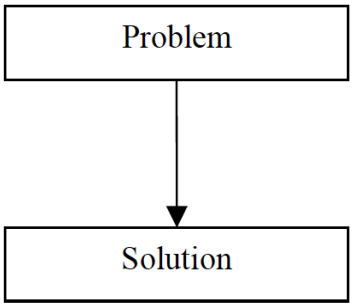
Descriptive/ Definition The author describes a topic by listing characteristics, features, examples, or definitions.	Define Illustrate For instance Means Feature	Instance For example Such as Characteristic of	
Sequence/Chronological: The author lists items or events in numerical or chronological order.	Eventually Initially In the beginning Immediately First, second, Until Meanwhile then	After About Before During Next When finally thereafter	1._____ 2._____ 3._____ 4._____
Compare/Contrast The author explains how two or more things are the same or how they are different.	In the same way Once more Similarly Likewise Like As also	But Contrary Despite On the other hand Even though Otherwise Others Although	
Cause & Effect The author describes what happens and what made it happen.	So Because Therefore, Due to the fact Since As a result Consequently As long as The effect	If …, then… For this reason Then In order that Why Results in Finally Nevertheless This is how	
Problem/Solution The author states the problem (what's wrong) then list one or more ways to solve the problem.	Problem Need Difficulty Challenge Issue Dilemma	Propose Solution Suggest Resolve Plan Answer	

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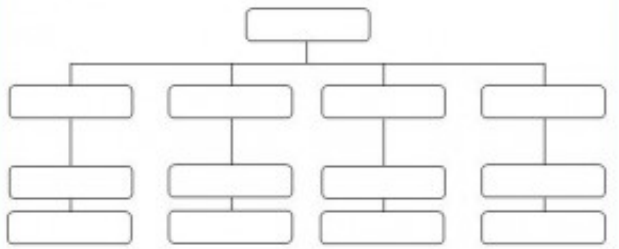
Question/Answer The author presents a question, then proceeds to answer it.	Question mark	

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Classification The author divides a topic into parts that are based on shared or common characteristics.	categories groups characteristics features kinds classes classify divide dimensions elements features;; methods; aspects; numbers; parts; sorts; types; ways