

Comprehension

C. 018

Expository Text Structure

What's the Big Idea?

Objective

The student will identify supporting details and main ideas in text.



Materials

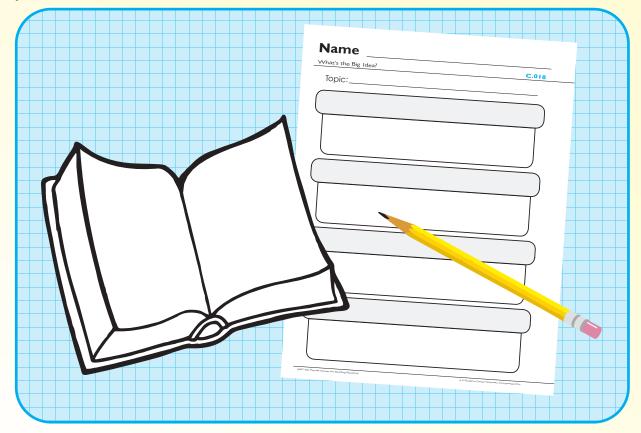
- Expository text Choose text within students' instructional-independent reading level range.
- Student sheet
- Pencil



Activity

Students use text features, main ideas, and details to organize information about a topic.

- 1. Provide the student with a copy of the text and multiple student sheets (depending on the length of the text).
- 2. The student reads or reviews the text.
- 3. Writes headings, subheadings, main ideas, or major concepts in the shaded box.
- 4. Writes details in the adjoining box (e.g., words, phrases, or sentences) that relate to the information written in the shaded box. Uses multiple student sheets, if necessary.
- 5. Teacher evaluation





Extensions and Adaptations

- Discuss text with a partner and complete a student sheet together.
- Use other graphic organizers to record information from the text.
- ▶ Use student sheet to organize information in narrative text.

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