

TEXT STRUCTURE GAME SHOW

ENDANGERED ANIMALS	SPORTS	WEATHER	INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES	TRANSPORTATION
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EDITABLE

SELF-CHECKING

NO PREP

GRADES 3-6

ALL PASSAGES



WORKING SCOREBOARD

The scoreboard works ONLY in the PowerPoint version. Google Slides, unfortunately, does not have the same capabilities so you will need to track the scores on that version.



INTERACTIVE GAMEBOARD

The point values only disappear after used on the Powerpoint version. Google Slides, unfortunately, does not have the same capabilities so you will need to keep track with the included question tracker.

The gameboard interface features a grid of 30 question cards arranged in 6 rows and 5 columns. The columns are color-coded by topic: pink for Endangered Animals, orange for Sports, green for Weather, teal for Indigenous Communities, and purple for Transportation. Each card displays a point value from 100 to 500. To the right of the grid are navigation buttons: 'TEXT STRUCTURE' and 'GAME SHOW' (both with a yellow checkmark icon), 'SCORE BOARD' (with a grey checkmark icon), and 'RESET PAGE' (with a red checkmark icon).

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EDITABLE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

All questions and answers are editable, so you can change out the question if you'd rather it be something else. Images and categories are not editable.

QUESTIONS

STORY STRUCTURE FOR 200

Miles grabbed his duffel bag and left the police station in a hurry, ready to get out on his rounds. After driving for a while, he found his suspect. He reached into the passenger's seat for the duffel bag and rummaged for his spy camera, only to find that it was missing! Miles specifically remembered placing the camera in his bag. Tracing his steps in his mind, he only remembered bumping into the new recruit at the front desk. Remotely, Miles activated the spy camera and was surprised to see a plate of tasty donuts in front of the camera. "Ugh, he really thought it was a pen!" Miles sighed, before turning around to return to the police station and retrieve the pen from the rookie officer.

What is the **conflict** of the story?



SCORE-BOARD

ANSWER

GAME BOARD



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What is the **setting** of the story?



SCORE-BOARD

ANSWER

GAME BOARD



ANSWERS

STORY STRUCTURE FOR 200

(Answers may vary slightly.)

He reached into the passenger's seat for the duffel bag and rummaged for his spy camera, only to find that it was missing!



Bonus question for 100 extra points

What is the genre of the story?



SCORE-BOARD

BONUS ANSWER

BACK TO QUESTION

GAME BOARD



STORY STRUCTURE FOR 200

(Answers may vary slightly.)

Miles is in his car and back and forth from police station.



Bonus question for 100 extra points

What is the genre of the story?



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BONUS ANSWER

BACK TO QUESTION

GAME BOARD



*Examples used are from ELA Skill Review Game Show as a reference and are not specific to this game.

CATEGORY 1: ENDANGERED ANIMALS

Students are given a paragraph about endangered animals and students have to decide which type of text structure is being used (description, cause & effect, compare & contrast, problem & solution, and chronological order/sequence).

ENDANGERED ANIMALS FOR 100

Tigers are one type of endangered animal. They are the largest animal in the Felidae, or cat family. While you can see tigers in the zoo, in the wild, they live in Asia. No two tigers have the same exact pattern of orange fur with dark brown, black, or sometimes grey stripes. Some tigers even have a genetic mutation that makes their fur white. All tigers are powerful, important predators.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



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ANSWER

GAME BOARD

ENDANGERED ANIMALS FOR 200

Today, many animals are in danger of extinction because of people. Human progress has caused the deforestation of many animal habitats. As a result, animals like tigers, panda bears, and other endangered species can't find enough food. Another cause of dwindling populations in some animal species is hunting. It's illegal to hunt endangered animals, like rhinoceroses and elephants. But, many people hunt anyway to obtain and sell the animal's ivory tusks and horns. We must change our ways to save endangered animals.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



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ANSWER

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ENDANGERED ANIMALS FOR 300

The gray wolf used to be nearly extinct. This was because wolves were scary for people, and we often killed them and took over their land. Back in 1974, Congress voted to protect this important canine as an endangered species. This solution helped by protecting wolves from being killed. It also set aside land on which they could live. Today, wolves are recovering and increasing in numbers. They are also expanding their range. As long as we continue efforts to protect wolves, they should make a full recovery.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



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ANSWER

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ENDANGERED ANIMALS FOR 400

Whales live in oceans all over the world. There used to be many, many whales. But, the whaling industry, which developed during the early 1900s, killed off hundreds of thousands of whales. Finally, governments started working together to regulate the industry. It wasn't until 1986 that an international agreement put a ban on whaling altogether. Today, whales are still killed when they are caught in nets used for fishing or when large ships disturb their habitats. Although now some types of whales are slowly increasing their populations, illegal whaling is still a problem.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



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ANSWER

GAME BOARD

ENDANGERED ANIMALS FOR 500

The American Alligator and American Crocodile are two species of large reptiles. The two animals can be hard to tell apart. However, crocodiles have a thinner snout and their coloring is a bit lighter than that of alligators. The crocodile is also considered a vulnerable species throughout its habitat. Its range includes areas of North, Central, and South America. However, the alligator, which used to be an endangered species, is now thriving in its US habitat. Both alligators and crocodiles live in fresh and brackish water such as in lakes, swamps, rivers, and marshes.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

GAME BOARD

CATEGORY 2: SPORTS

Students are given a paragraph about sports and students have to decide which type of text structure is being used (description, cause & effect, compare & contrast, problem & solution, and chronological order/sequence).

SPORTS FOR 100

Soccer and basketball are very different sports. While both sports' players must move a ball around the court or field, there are many more differences than similarities between these sports. To play soccer, players use their feet to move the ball. In contrast, to play basketball, players use their hands. Basketball is played on a wooden court in a gym. In contrast, soccer is played on a grass field. Both sports are exciting, fast-paced games to watch.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

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ANSWER

GAME BOARD

SPORTS FOR 200

Have you ever heard of the sport ultimate frisbee? This professional sport even features a national league, the American Ultimate Disc League. The game is played on a large grass field that's set up similarly to a football field. Players may not move while holding the frisbee. To score a point, a player must throw the frisbee to a teammate in the team's end zone. The game is unique in that instead of using referees, players discuss and enforce rules themselves. If you like frisbee, it's a sport you should try.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

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SPORTS FOR 300

American football is a rough sport that involves lots of contact. For example, when tackles take place, players can hit their heads on the ground or crash into other players. While helmets help, they don't provide enough cushioning to stop the damage that results from playing. Professional football players can even develop brain injuries and serious medical conditions. Studies show that football often causes lasting harm to players' brains. This brain damage can affect players for the rest of their lives.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

GAME BOARD

SPORTS FOR 400

The US women's soccer team won the World Cup in 2019. But, the team is paid much less than what the men's team is paid. The men's team didn't even qualify for the 2018 World Cup. The pay gap between men and women athletes is an issue that perpetuates discrimination against women. The women's team has worked to negotiate new contracts that they consider to be fairer. However, a real lasting solution will require the US Soccer Federation to change their policies.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

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SPORTS FOR 500

Cricket is the second most popular sport worldwide. The sport originated in England and may have first been a children's-only game. Adults began to show interest in it in the 17th century. Cricket was spread to many different countries during the British colonial period. The British took their cricket clubs with them to India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Australia. Today, the sport enjoys many fans and is played in Britain and former British colonies.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

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CATEGORY 3: WEATHER

Students are given a paragraph about weather and students have to decide which type of text structure is being used (description, cause & effect, compare & contrast, problem & solution, and chronological order/sequence).

WEATHER FOR 100

A hurricane forms in four steps. First, a tropical disturbance forms when big, swirling clouds grow over the ocean. Second, the storm grows larger and develops stronger winds, becoming a tropical depression. Third, when the winds are stronger than 39 miles per hour, the storm is a tropical storm. Finally, if wind speeds reach 74 miles per hour, it's called a hurricane. It is through this process that hurricanes are formed.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

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WEATHER FOR 200

There are many different types of clouds, including cumulus and stratus clouds. Both of these types of clouds form lower to the ground, at 6,000 feet or lower. But, while stratus clouds are mostly flat, cumulus clouds are fluffy and rounded. They look like a bunch of cotton balls stuck together. Stratus clouds often cover the entire sky. Sometimes, mountain towns get stuck inside stratus clouds. However, cumulus clouds usually have some space between each cloud. These are just two of many other cloud types.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

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WEATHER FOR 300

Tornadoes are destructive spinning clouds. These funnel clouds often form during thunderstorms. Attaining wind speeds of up to 300 miles per hour, the biggest tornadoes are 2 miles wide. Tornadoes destroy everything in their paths. They pull up trees and rip up houses from their foundations. Most tornadoes in the world form in an area of the United States known as Tornado Alley. People must listen to news channels so that they can stay safe when tornado conditions appear.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

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WEATHER FOR 400

Some thunderstorms provide the perfect conditions to create hail. What are the conditions that create hail? Strong updrafts of wind carry droplets of water up to colder, higher areas where they freeze. Still driven by the updrafts, the specs of ice float around in this area. Slowly, they grow larger and larger as they bump into other droplets. The resulting hail gets so big that the winds can no longer hold it up and so it falls down to the ground. Hail can grow very big and even cause significant damage to property such as cars, homes, and crops. It all starts thanks to those strong updrafts.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

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WEATHER FOR 500

Severe weather like flooding, thunderstorms, tornadoes, hurricanes, and winter storms can be devastating. They damage property and can even kill people. If people aren't aware of the weather events, the results are worse. One way the government helps minimize damage and harm to people is with the severe weather warning system. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration runs a weather radio program and alert system. You can set up an alert for your area that will sound an alarm, even if there's no electricity. All you need is a device that runs on batteries. With the severe weather event warning, people can prepare appropriately for bad weather.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

GAME BOARD



CATEGORY 4: INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

Students are given a paragraph about indigenous communities, and students have to decide which type of text structure is being used (description, cause & effect, compare & contrast, problem & solution, and chronological order/sequence).

INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES FOR 100

Indigenous communities around the world speak unique languages. The problem is that fewer people are speaking many of them. Some people worry these languages might be lost forever. One solution is for volunteers and linguists to document the languages in danger of being lost. They can do this by recording people speaking the language or writing down words. Hopefully, by documenting the languages, we can keep them for future generations to learn.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

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ANSWER

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INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES FOR 200

How did people first arrive in the Americas?

Thousands of years ago, the continents of North and South America didn't have any people living on them at all. First, people lived in an area of ice between Asia and the Americas that existed during the Ice Age. Then, when sea levels rose, they were cut off from Asia. Next, people explored and moved down into the Americas. Finally, the continents of both North and South America were fully populated. These are the origins of the indigenous groups of people who originally inhabited the Americas.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

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ANSWER

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INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES FOR 300

Both the Inuit and the Yanomamo are indigenous peoples who live in the Americas. But, while the Inuit live in Arctic regions of North America, the Yanomamo live in the Amazon rainforest. Although they live far apart, the groups share some things in common. For example, both communities hunt for food. Both groups also use the natural resources around them to survive. Neither the Inuit or the Yanomamo use many modern technologies. Both groups also show us what life was like hundreds of years ago.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

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ANSWER

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INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES FOR 400

One of the most vibrant indigenous populations that still exists in the world are the Mayans which reside in Guatemala and Mexico. However, the Mayans aren't all one uniform group. There are many different languages and cultural peculiarities among the various groups. In Guatemala alone, 22 different Mayan languages are spoken. Each group also features a unique colorful traditional dress with unique patterns and styles. Today, mostly women wear the traditional clothing, while men wear mostly modern styles. If you visit Guatemala or some areas of Mexico, you're sure to see some Mayan people.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

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ANSWER

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INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES FOR 500

Over 2.5 billion indigenous people live on community lands. However, many of these groups don't have the legal titles to their land. So, sometimes, governments give companies the rights to this land. This pushes out or disrupts the people who live there. Loss of land for indigenous communities has serious consequences on activities like agriculture, hunting, collecting building materials, and more. With less land, people run out of space and have a harder time producing enough food. Governments must find better ways to work with indigenous groups to reduce the harm they cause.

Which type of text structure is used in the passage?

SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

GAME BOARD

CATEGORY 5: TRANSPORTATION

Students are given a paragraph about transportation and students have to decide which type of text structure is being used (description, cause & effect, compare & contrast, problem & solution, and chronological order/sequence).

TRANSPORTATION FOR 200

In big cities, traffic is a major problem. However, transportation methods of the future such as self-driving cars, or flying cars, might help. With flying cars, vehicles will have much more space to use. Self-driving cars may also help by moving faster. These cars also leave more space between themselves and other vehicles which helps traffic flow. Putting artificial intelligence in charge of traffic lights is another fix for heavy traffic. Hopefully, advances in technology will get rid of the traffic problems we have today.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

GAME BOARD



TRANSPORTATION FOR 100

What will transportation look like in the future? One thing that will change is that transportation in the future must be better for the environment. The cause and effect that today's transportation has on the environment is clear. When cars burn fuel, they release carbon dioxide into the atmosphere. The effect is that carbon dioxide boosts the greenhouse effect, or global warming. So, engineers are trying to create new transportation options that don't release these harmful gases into the air. Hopefully, the effect of this new transportation will be that global warming slows down.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

GAME BOARD



TRANSPORTATION FOR 300

The process of creating new types of transportation is hard work and takes a long time to do. You might be surprised to learn that there are already driverless cars. However, it might be awhile before you see them on the streets where you live. First, engineers developed the technology. Then, they conducted testing in laboratories. Now, driverless cars are being tested in certain cities across the country. But, this stage of testing will be a long one because there are many issues to work out, such as how to not hit pedestrians! Eventually, once testing is complete, driverless cars will be the norm for transportation.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

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TRANSPORTATION FOR 400

The transportation of the future will drastically change the way people live. It used to be that traveling one hundred miles required days of travel, either by walking or by horse and cart. But soon, the highest speed trains in the world will go at speeds of over 300 miles per hour. In the past, we were also restricted to moving on the ground. Today, airplanes are used frequently and can move at speeds of over 500 miles per hour. Traveling long distances in a short amount of time is possible thanks to the many advances in technology. Who knows how much faster we'll be able to go in the future?



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



SCORE BOARD

ANSWER

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TRANSPORTATION FOR 500

What will airplanes look like in the future? For one thing, they might not have windows. According to scientists, airplanes in the future may be made without windows so that they can go faster. They might go so fast they reach supersonic speeds! That means you could go from New York to London in one hour, a trip that would take you 7 hours today. Tomorrow's airplanes may also go electric rather than relying on gas. Whatever they look like, airplanes of the future will help people move where they need to go.



Which type of text structure is used in the passage?



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ANSWER

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ANSWER SLIDES BUILT IN

Questions are all linked to their corresponding answer slides in both versions and also linked back to the question for reference.

ENDANGERED ANIMALS FOR 100

DESCRIPTION



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SPORTS FOR 100

COMPARE & CONTRAST



SCORE-BOARD

BACK TO QUESTION

GAME BOARD



WEATHER FOR 100

CHRONOLOGICAL / SEQUENCE



SCORE-BOARD

BACK TO QUESTION

GAME BOARD



INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES FOR 100

PROBLEM & SOLUTION



SCORE-BOARD

BACK TO QUESTION

GAME BOARD



TRANSPORTATION FOR 100

CAUSE & EFFECT



SCORE-BOARD

BACK TO QUESTION

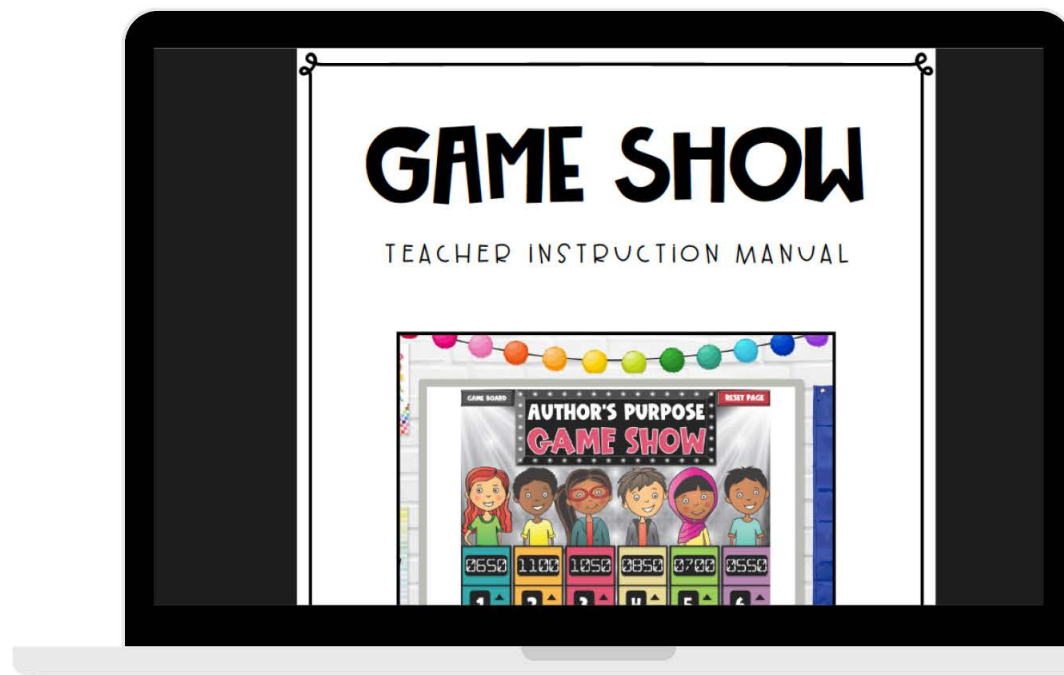
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SPORTS FOR 400

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TRANSPORTATION FOR 100

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