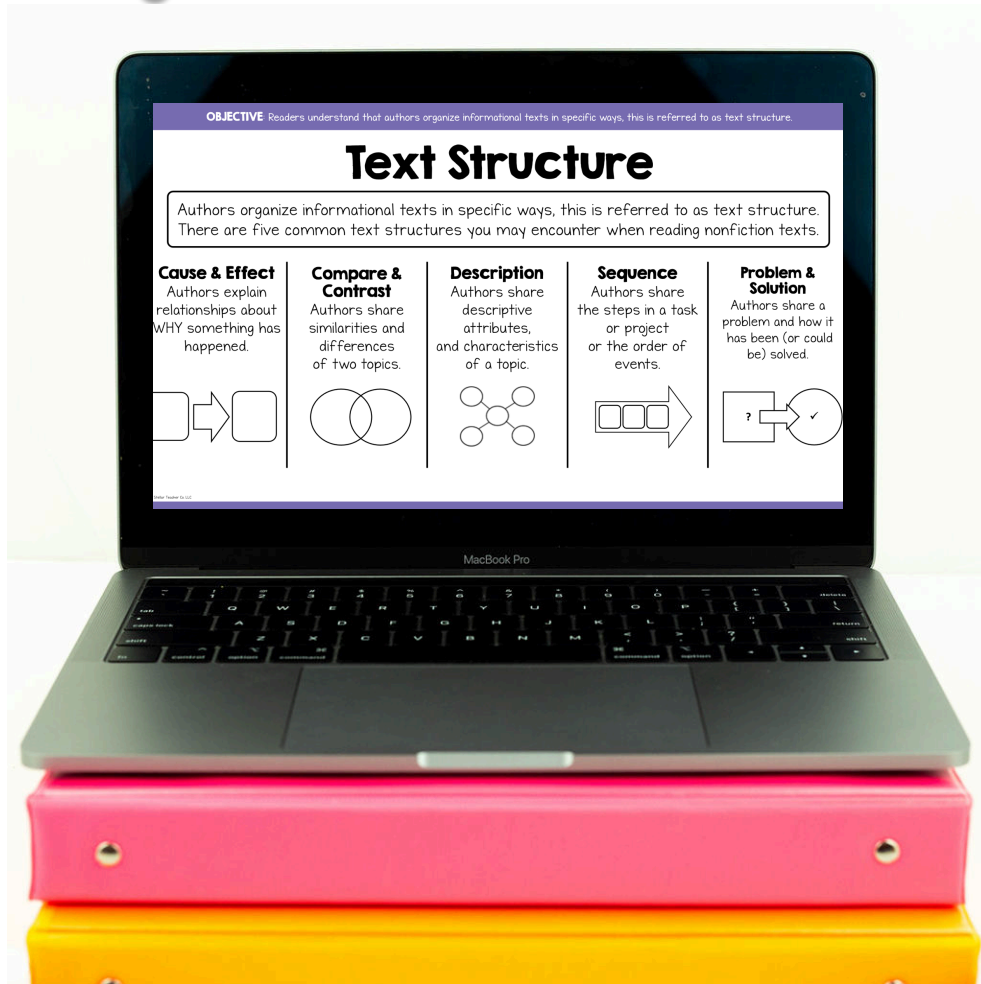
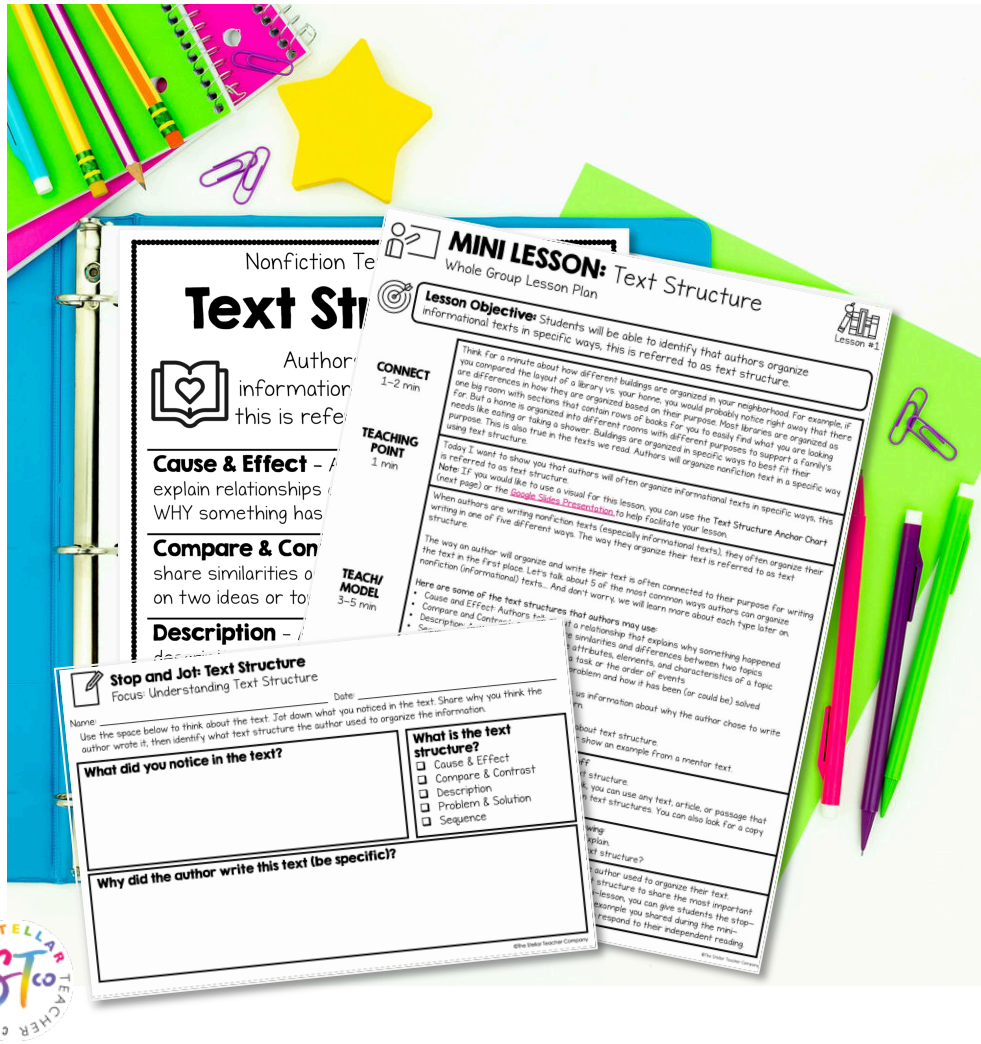


TEXT STRUCTURE

7 Low Prep Reading Lesson Sets



Lesson Plans • Anchor Charts • Google Slides • Graphic Organizers



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REASONS TO LOVE

THESE TEXT STRUCTURE LESSON SETS

TIME-SAVING

I know a teacher's to-do list is massive, but with this resource, you can cross lesson planning off your list. This resource gives you everything you need for your whole group lessons on nonfiction text structure: scripted lesson plans, whole group teaching slides, anchor charts, and graphic organizers.

CLEAR AND CONCISE

These lessons make it super easy for you to clearly communicate, teach, and model each objective to your students. The lesson plans will help you deliver a clear and effective lesson, and the visuals included will help your students understand exactly what you are teaching.

LOW PREP FOR TEACHERS

This resource seriously is just print and teach. You won't have to prep any materials for your lessons. Think how much time you will save not having to type out lesson plans or prep anchor charts or slides for your lessons. They are all done for you with this resource.

Nonfiction Text Structure

Text Structure

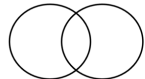


Authors will often organize informational texts in specific ways, this is referred to as text structure.

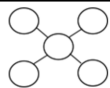
Cause & Effect - Authors explain relationships about WHY something has happened.



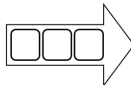
Compare & Contrast - Authors share similarities and differences on two ideas or topics.



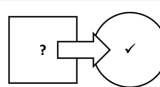
Description - Authors share descriptive attributes, elements, and characteristics of a topic.



Sequence - Authors share the steps in a task or project or the order of events.



Problem & Solution - Authors share a problem and how it has been (or could be) solved.

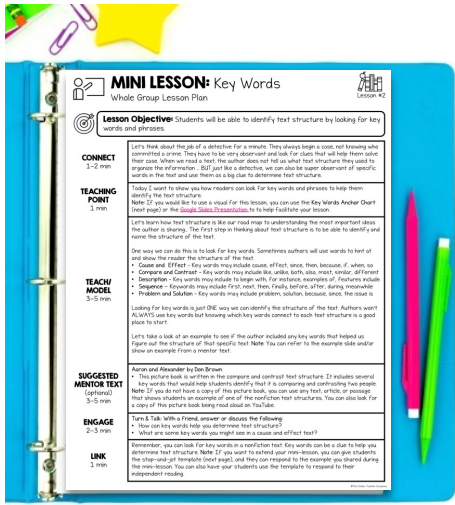


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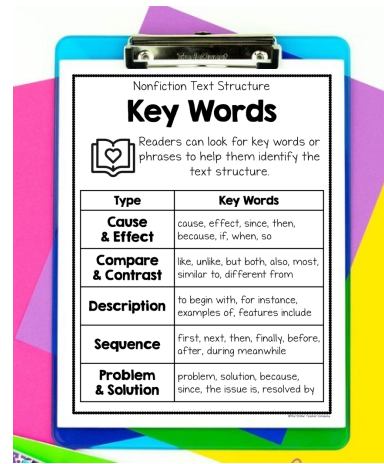
For each lesson you get a scripted lesson plan, anchor chart, teaching slide set, and half-page graphic organizer.

7 SCRIPTED LESSON PLANS



These lesson plans are scripted and ready to go. You can attach them to your weekly lesson plan, use them to prep your lesson, or even read from them while teaching.

7 PRINTABLE ANCHOR CHARTS



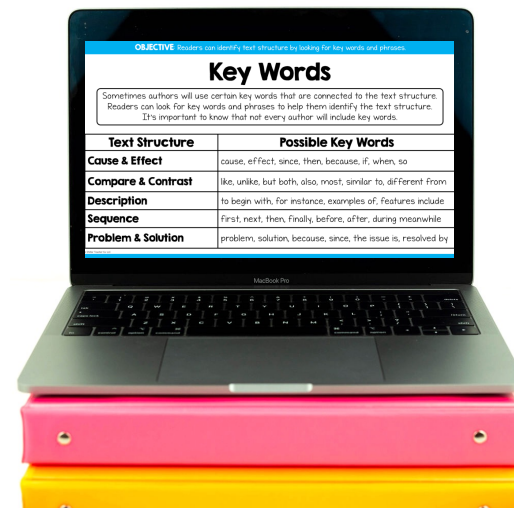
Each lesson comes with a full-page printable anchor chart. Post it in your classroom after your lesson, or shrink it down to 85% and have students glue it in their notebooks.

7 MINI GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS



Each lesson includes a half-page graphic organizer. Students can use this during your lesson or you can assign it to them as independent practice after your lesson.

TEACHING SLIDES FOR EACH LESSON



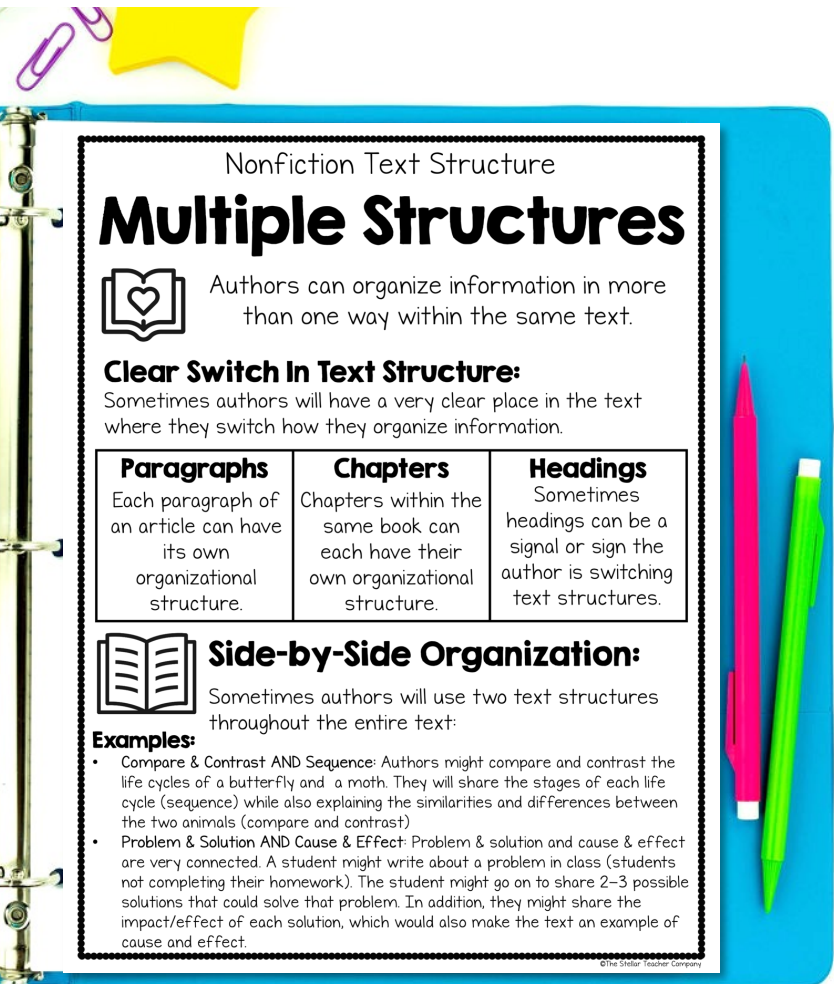
Each lesson includes a set of teaching slides to help you teach, practice, and discuss the objective. These slides help you deliver an effective and engaging lesson.

Text Structure	Possible Key Words
Cause & Effect	cause, effect, since, then, because, if, when, so
Compare & Contrast	like, unlike, but both, also, most, similar to, different from
Description	to begin with, for instance, examples of, features include
Sequence	First, next, then, finally, before, after, during meanwhile
Problem & Solution	problem, solution, because, since, the issue is, resolved by

WHAT LESSONS ARE INCLUDED?

This resource includes 7 lessons that are all connected to nonfiction text structure. You can teach all 7 or select the lessons that are most relevant to what your students need.

These lessons are also great if you need to quickly spiral or review a concept.



- Lesson #1: Text Structure Overview
- Lesson #2: Key Words
- Lesson #3: Text Structure Graphic Organizers
- Lesson #4: Main Idea & Text Structure
- Lesson #5: Summarizing Nonfiction Text Structure
- Lesson #6: Comparing Text Structure
- Lesson #7: Multiple Text Structures

Just print the set you want to teach, and you're set for a stellar whole group lesson.

LOW PREP and EASY-TO-USE



MINI LESSON: Compare Text Structures



Lesson #6

Whole Group Lesson Plan



Lesson Objective: Students will be able to compare and contrast the text structure of multiple texts.

CONNECT
1-2 min

Do you know what I like most about road trips? Most often, they will show more than one route you can take to get to a destination. When you look at different routes on a road map, you most likely will start comparing them to help you determine which one is best. You might consider what is your best option by asking questions like, "What is the fastest way to get to my destination?" By asking questions about different routes, you can help you determine which one is best. In the same way, we ask questions to compare routes on a road map. In the same way, we ask questions to compare routes on a road map.

TEACHING POINT
1 min

Today I want to show you that readers can compare and contrast the text structures of multiple texts. Note: If you would like to use a visual organizer, see the [Google Slides Presentation](#) (next page) or the [Google Slides Presentation](#) (next page).

Strong readers think about how text is organized. They even the ways authors share their information. They compare and contrast two (or more) texts. They learned about text structure.

If you are reading several texts, you can compare and contrast the information in each text. Even if the texts are organized differently, you might give you a deeper understanding of the text.

-OR-
Maybe you're reading several books. You might have recently read a lot of books. You might spend time thinking about how the texts are organized. Or maybe you identify the text structures of multiple texts.

TEACH/ MODEL
3-5 min

In order to compare and contrast the text structures of multiple texts, you can ask the following questions:

- What differences did you notice in the structure of the different texts?
- What did you learn about the text structures of multiple texts?
- What information did you learn about the text structures of multiple texts?
- How does text structure help you understand the text?

Asking these questions can help you understand the text structures of multiple texts. For example, you can compare and contrast the text structures of multiple texts.


SUGGESTED MENTOR TEXT
(optional)

Your Choice
• For this lesson, we will use the text structures of multiple texts to help you understand the text structures of multiple texts. This will help you communicate different text structures.


Nonfiction Text Structure

Compare Text Structures

Readers can compare and contrast the text structures of multiple texts.



Questions to Ask When Comparing Text Structure:



- What differences did you notice in the structure of the different texts?
- What different key words or phrases helped you understand the text structures of multiple texts?

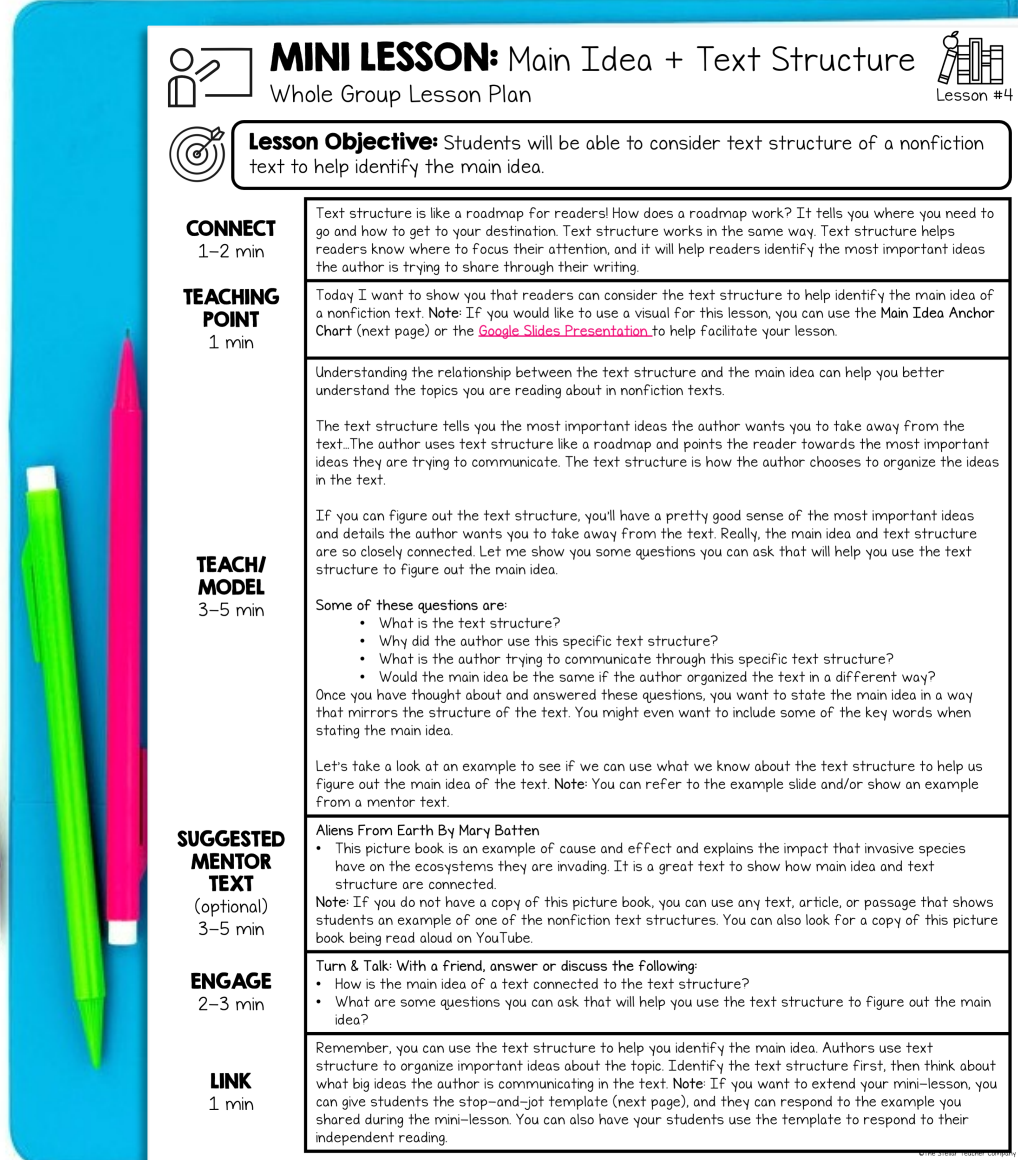
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
SCRIPTED TEACHER LESSON PLAN


Each lesson set includes a scripted teacher lesson plan. It provides you with the exact language you can use to teach that objective. These lesson plans will help keep your lessons short and concise.

Each lesson plan includes the following sections:

- Connect & Introduce Objective
- Teach & Model
- Suggested Mentor Text Title
- Engage Questions
- Closure



MINI LESSON: Main Idea + Text Structure
Whole Group Lesson Plan  Lesson #4

Lesson Objective: Students will be able to consider text structure of a nonfiction text to help identify the main idea. 

CONNECT
1-2 min

TEACHING POINT
1 min

TEACH/ MODEL
3-5 min

SUGGESTED MENTOR TEXT
(optional)
3-5 min

ENGAGE
2-3 min

LINK
1 min

Text structure is like a roadmap for readers! How does a roadmap work? It tells you where you need to go and how to get to your destination. Text structure works in the same way. Text structure helps readers know where to focus their attention, and it will help readers identify the most important ideas the author is trying to share through their writing.

Today I want to show you that readers can consider the text structure to help identify the main idea of a nonfiction text. **Note:** If you would like to use a visual for this lesson, you can use the Main Idea Anchor Chart (next page) or the [Google Slides Presentation](#) to help facilitate your lesson.

Understanding the relationship between the text structure and the main idea can help you better understand the topics you are reading about in nonfiction texts.

The text structure tells you the most important ideas the author wants you to take away from the text. The author uses text structure like a roadmap and points the reader towards the most important ideas they are trying to communicate. The text structure is how the author chooses to organize the ideas in the text.

If you can figure out the text structure, you'll have a pretty good sense of the most important ideas and details the author wants you to take away from the text. Really, the main idea and text structure are so closely connected. Let me show you some questions you can ask that will help you use the text structure to figure out the main idea.

Some of these questions are:

- What is the text structure?
- Why did the author use this specific text structure?
- What is the author trying to communicate through this specific text structure?
- Would the main idea be the same if the author organized the text in a different way?

Once you have thought about and answered these questions, you want to state the main idea in a way that mirrors the structure of the text. You might even want to include some of the key words when stating the main idea.

Let's take a look at an example to see if we can use what we know about the text structure to help us figure out the main idea of the text. **Note:** You can refer to the example slide and/or show an example from a mentor text.

Aliens From Earth By Mary Batten

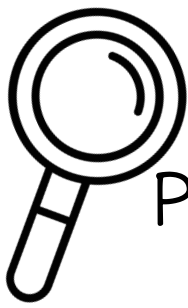
- This picture book is an example of cause and effect and explains the impact that invasive species have on the ecosystems they are invading. It is a great text to show how main idea and text structure are connected.

Note: If you do not have a copy of this picture book, you can use any text, article, or passage that shows students an example of one of the nonfiction text structures. You can also look for a copy of this picture book being read aloud on YouTube.

Turn & Talk: With a friend, answer or discuss the following:

- How is the main idea of a text connected to the text structure?
- What are some questions you can ask that will help you use the text structure to figure out the main idea?

Remember, you can use the text structure to help you identify the main idea. Authors use text structure to organize important ideas about the topic. Identify the text structure first, then think about what big ideas the author is communicating in the text. **Note:** If you want to extend your mini-lesson, you can give students the stop-and-jot template (next page), and they can respond to the example you shared during the mini-lesson. You can also have your students use the template to respond to their independent reading.



TAKE A CLOSER LOOK...

PRINTABLE ANCHOR CHART



Each lesson includes a printable anchor chart. You can either print this chart and display it under a document camera to help teach your lesson or you can always give students a copy of the anchor chart after the lesson to glue in their folder or notebook.

These anchor charts include all the key information students need to remember from your lesson.



Nonfiction Text Structure

Main Idea



Readers can consider the text structure to help identify the main idea of an informational text.

The text structure will give clues to help you determine the main idea:



- What is the text structure?
- Why did the author choose this specific text structure?
- What is the author trying to communicate through this specific text structure?
- Would the ideas be the same if the text was organized in a different way?

State the main idea of the text in a way that mirrors the text structure.



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TAKE A CLOSER LOOK...

MINI GRAPHIC ORGANIZER

Each lesson includes a half-page graphic organizer related to the objective. These graphic organizer work with any text.

You can use them during the lesson to help model the concept to your students.

Or, you can give them to students after the lesson and have them practice applying the objective to their independent reading.

You can also use them during your small group lessons.



Stop and Jot: Text Structure

Focus: Main Idea

Name: _____ Date: _____

Read a text. Fill out the graphic organizer below. Use the information about text structure to help you identify the main idea.

What is the text structure?	Why did the author choose this specific text structure?
What is the main idea?	
What is the author trying to communicate through this structure?	How would the ideas change if the author organized them in a different way?

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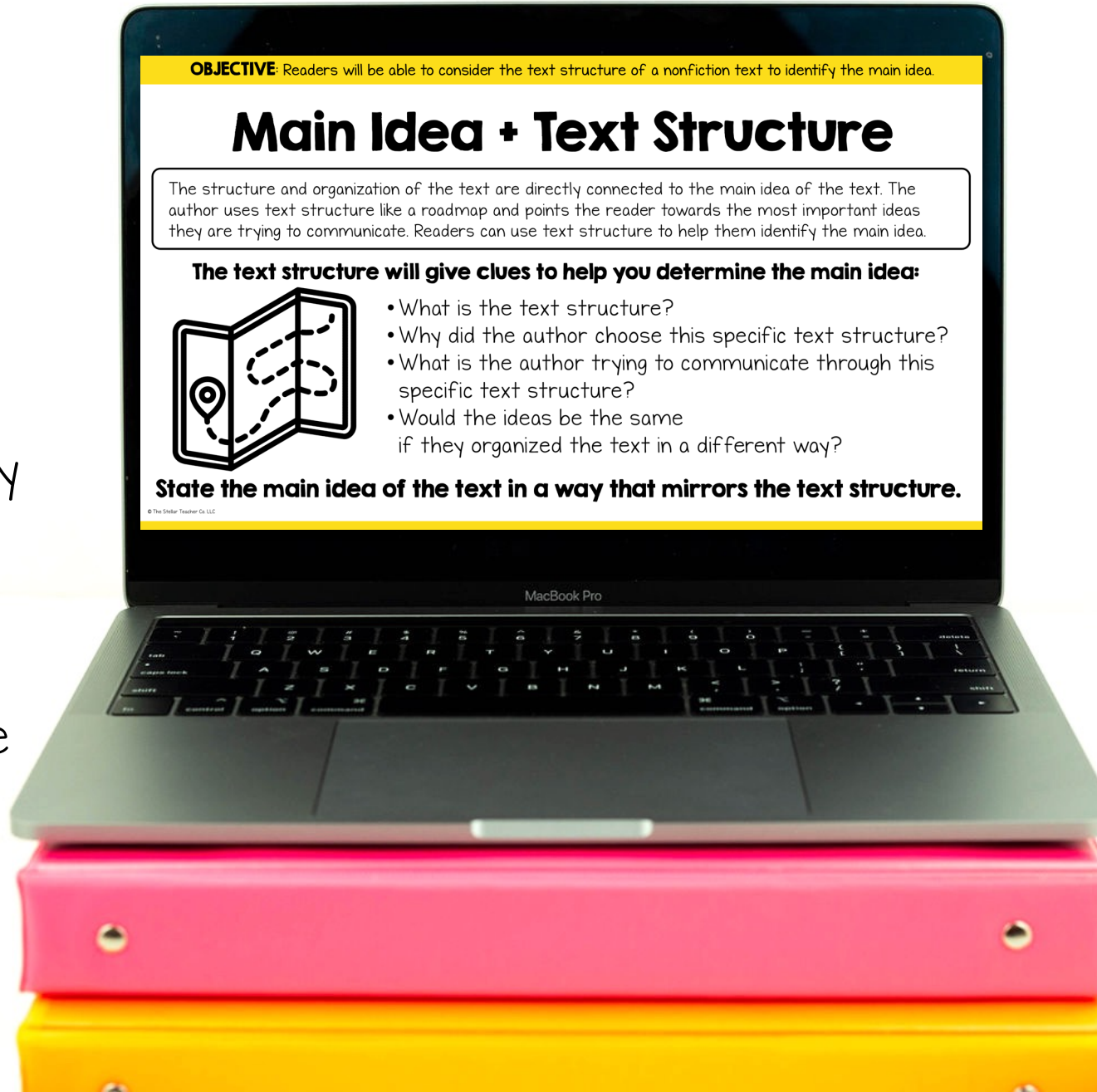


TAKE A CLOSER LOOK...

GOOGLE SLIDE SET: TEACHING SLIDE

Each lesson includes a teaching slide. This slide includes a lot of the same information on the anchor chart.

It is a great slide to display during the teach/model portion of your lesson. It will help you clearly communicate the objective to your students.



OBJECTIVE: Readers will be able to consider the text structure of a nonfiction text to identify the main idea.

Main Idea + Text Structure

The structure and organization of the text are directly connected to the main idea of the text. The author uses text structure like a roadmap and points the reader towards the most important ideas they are trying to communicate. Readers can use text structure to help them identify the main idea.

The text structure will give clues to help you determine the main idea:



- What is the text structure?
- Why did the author choose this specific text structure?
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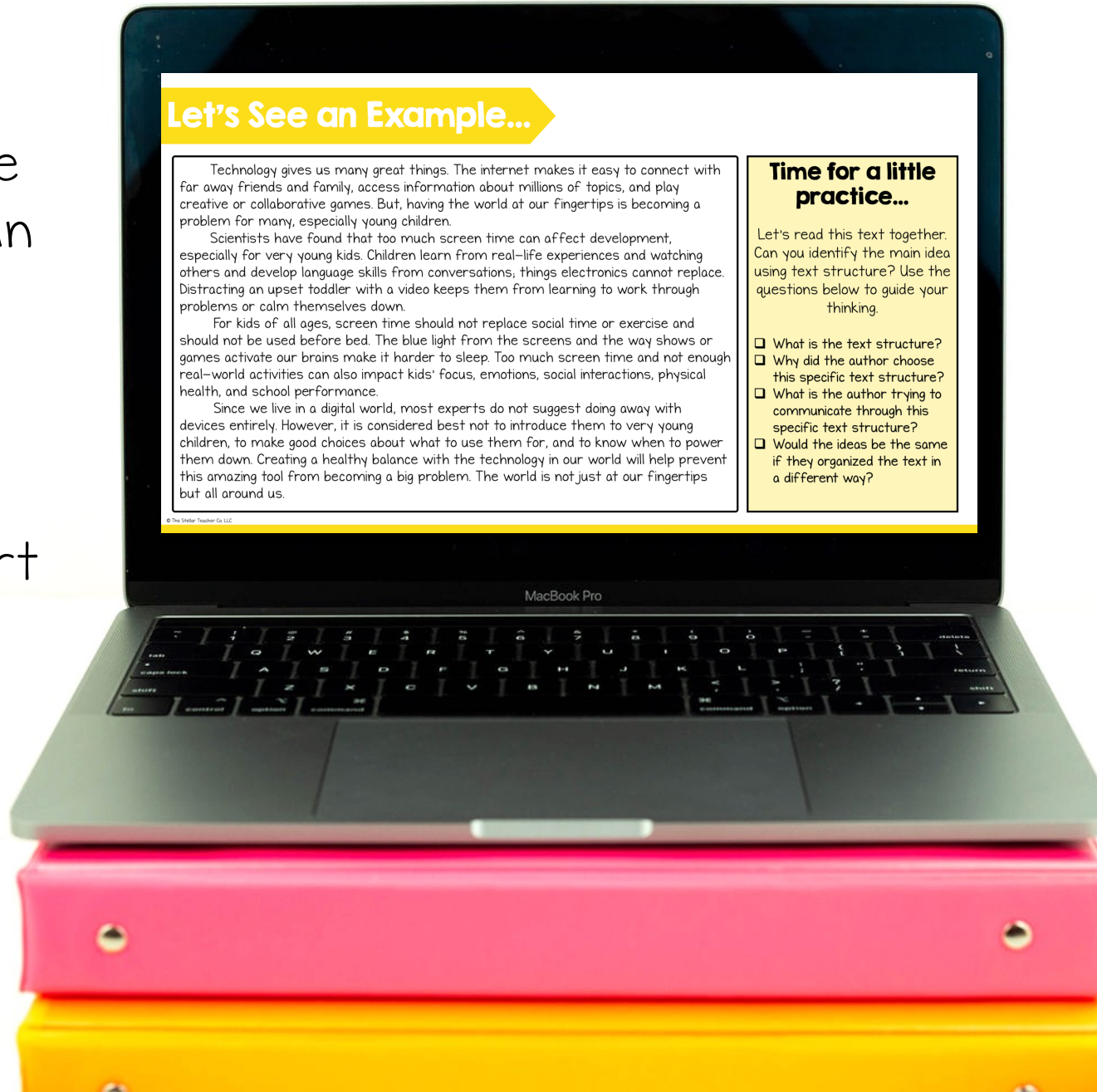


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GOOGLE SLIDE SET: EXAMPLE SLIDE

Each lesson includes an example slide. The example slide is a great slide you can use to either model or practice with your students.

It will either include a short paragraph or a chart or some other example related to the objective of the lesson.



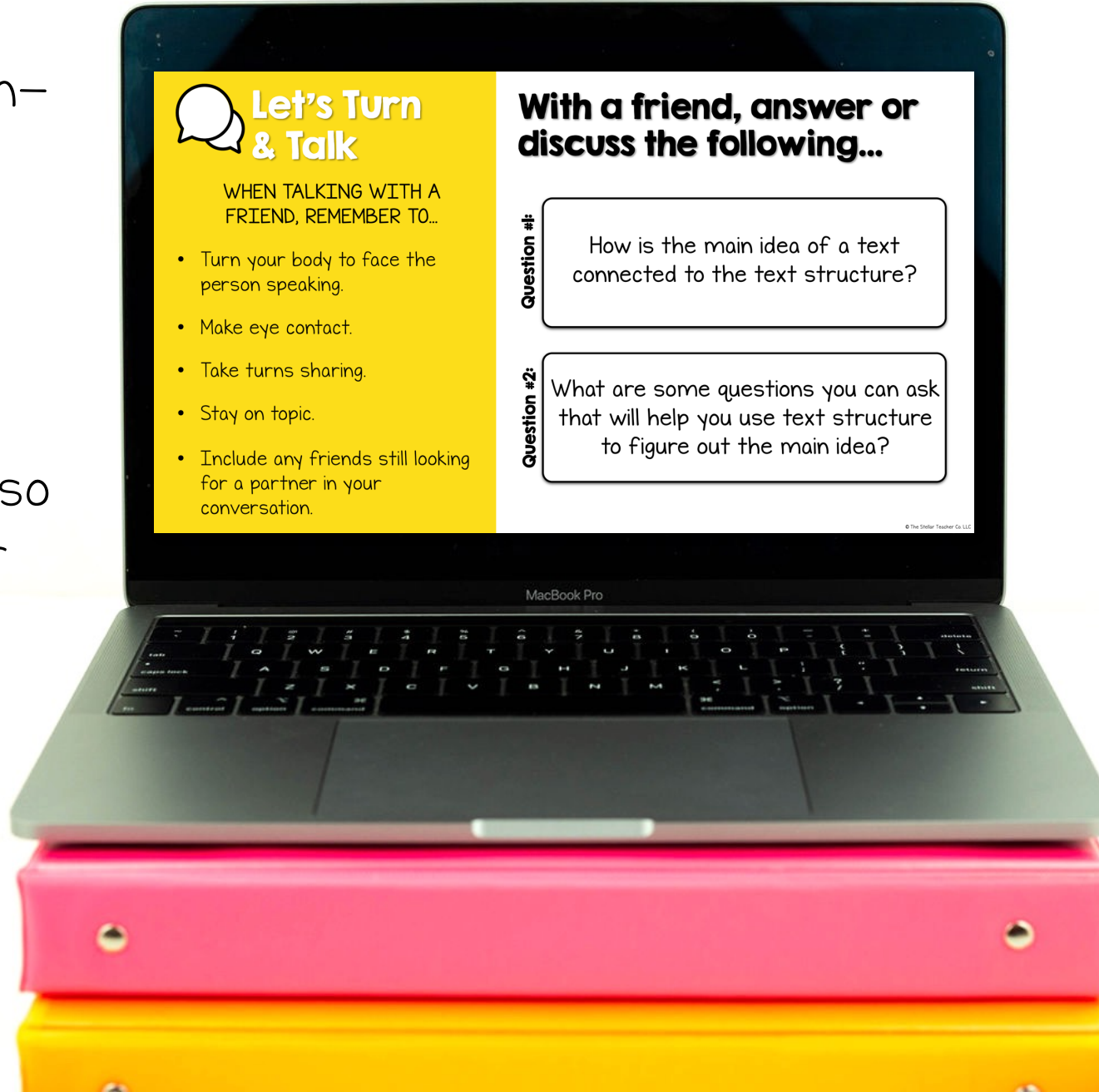


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GOOGLE SLIDE SET: TURN & TALK SLIDE

Each lesson includes a turn-and-talk slide with two questions you can use for whole group discussion at the end of your lesson.

The turn-and-talk slide also includes key reminders for how students should be engaging in discussion with their peers.



Let's Turn & Talk

WHEN TALKING WITH A FRIEND, REMEMBER TO...

- Turn your body to face the person speaking.
- Make eye contact.
- Take turns sharing.
- Stay on topic.
- Include any friends still looking for a partner in your conversation.

With a friend, answer or discuss the following...

Question #1:

How is the main idea of a text connected to the text structure?

Question #2:

What are some questions you can ask that will help you use text structure to figure out the main idea?

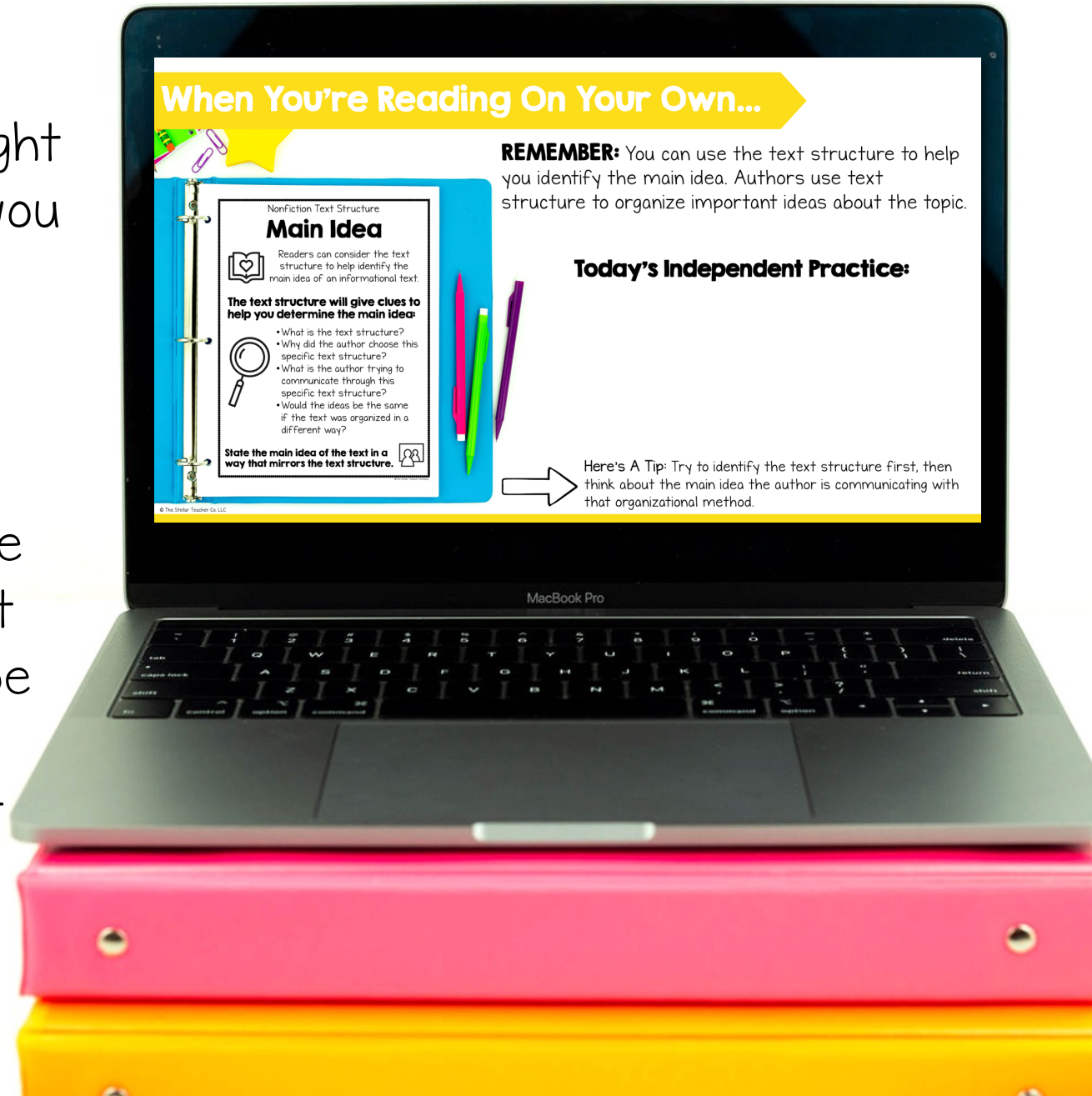
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GOOGLE SLIDE SET: CLOSING SLIDE

The final slides includes a reminder of what you taught and then blank space for you to customize the independent practice assignment for the day.

This is a great slide to leave up during your independent practice so students can be reminded of what you taught and also know what they should be working on.



LOOKING FOR OTHER RESOURCES TO HELP WITH READING?

Do your students need help building their vocabulary?

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5 ROUTINES

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