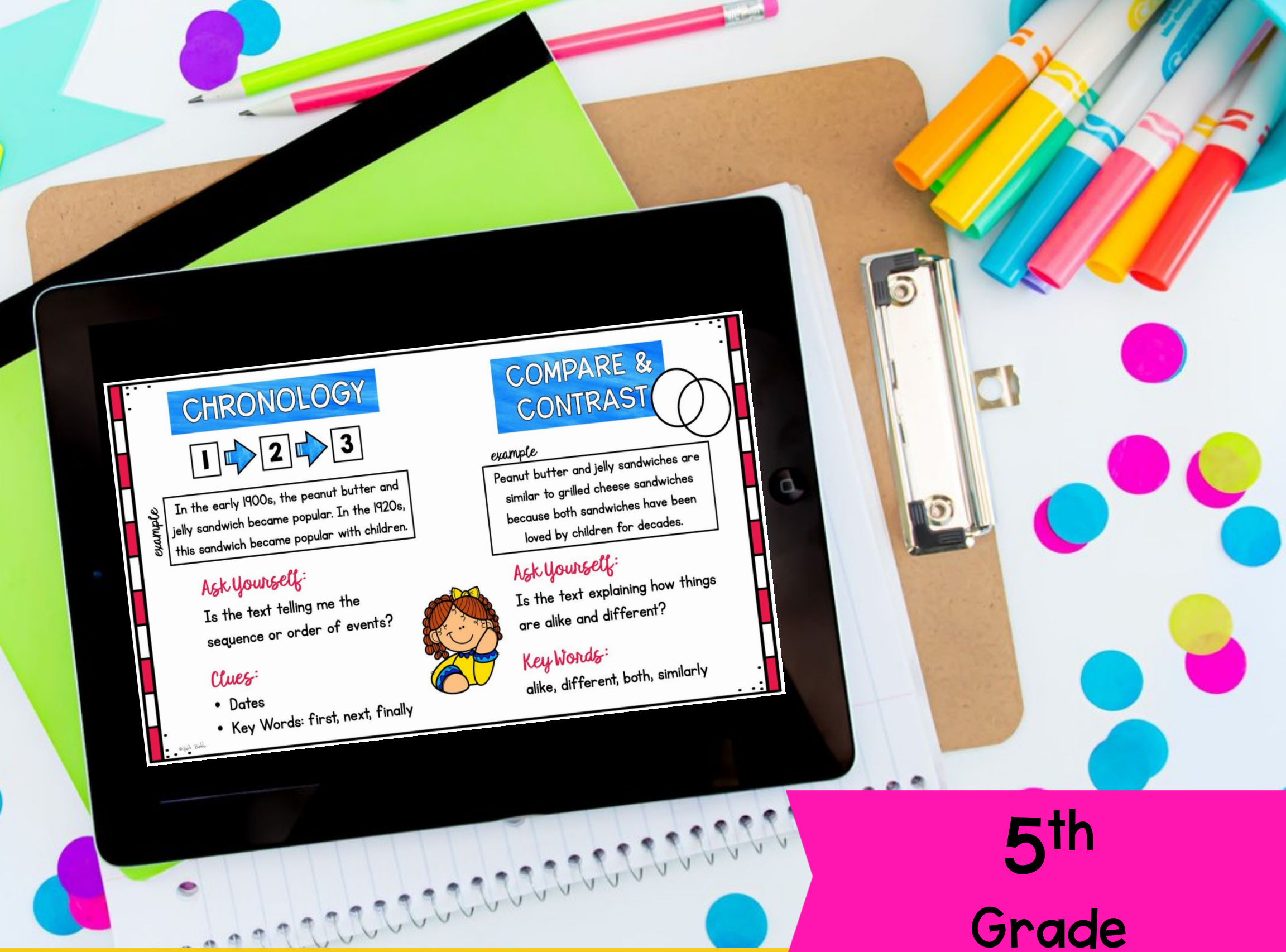


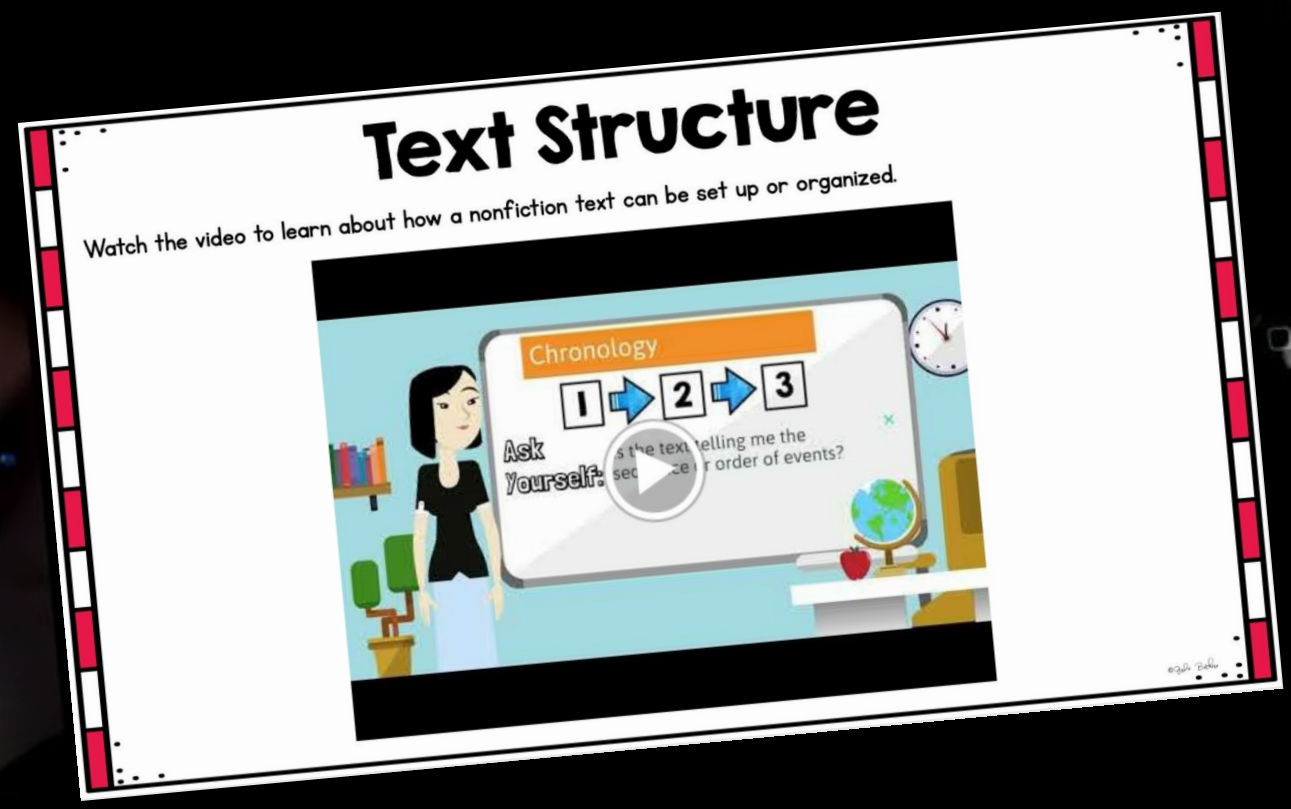
5th Grade

Text Structure in Nonfiction

DIGITAL Mini lessons

Mag CORE


Let's Sort!
STRUCTURE
EXAMPLE
PURPOSE
Explains why something happened and gives the end result.
CHRONOLOGY
PROBLEM & SOLUTION


Text Structure
Watch the video to learn about how a nonfiction text can be set up or organized.
Chronology
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2
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Ask
Yourself:

Let's Practice!

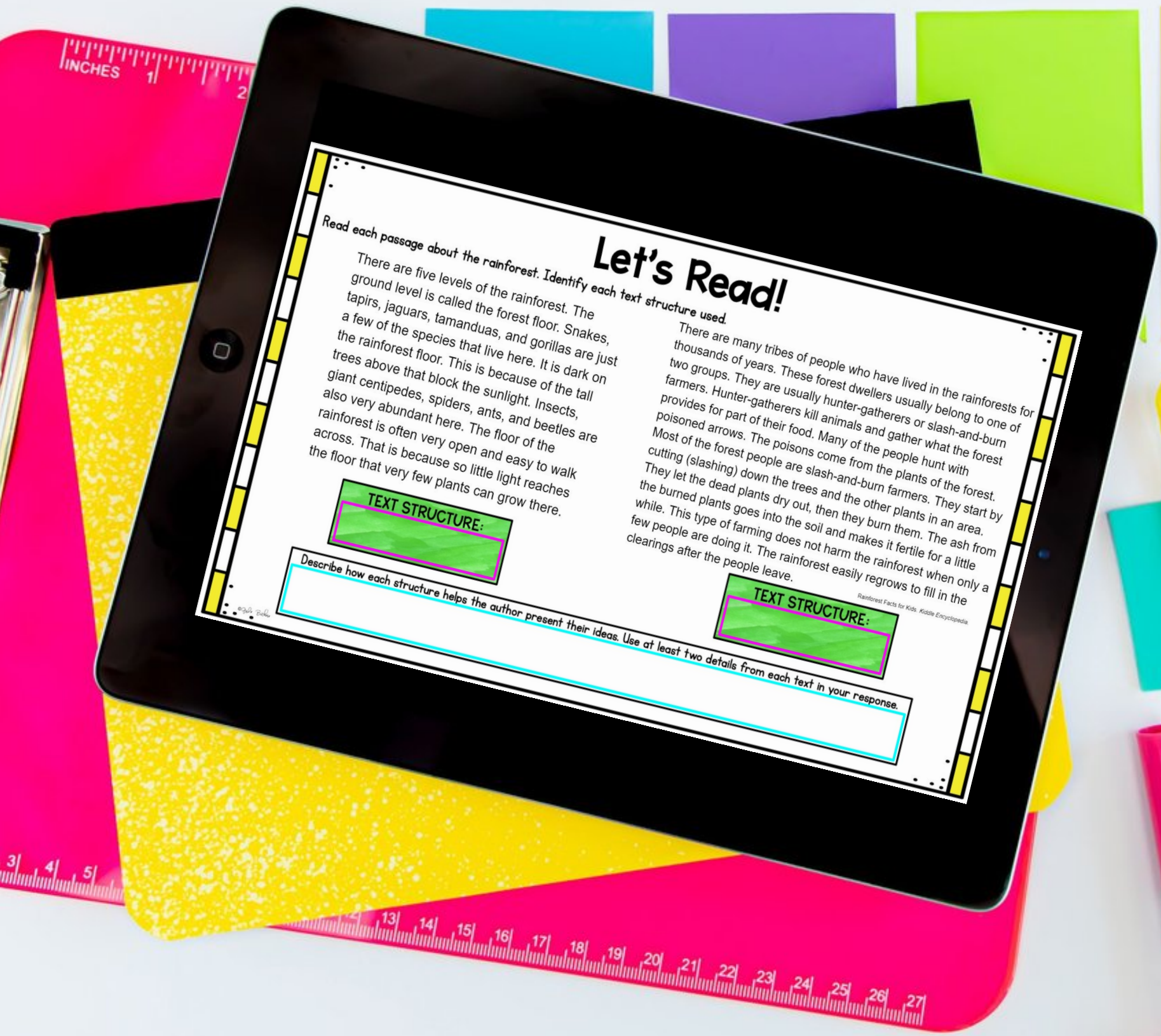
Listen to each section of the book *What Happens to a Hamburger?* and identify the text structure used.





COMPARE & CONTRAST

Describe how each structure helps the author present his ideas. Use at least two details from each text in your response.


Let's Read!
Read each passage about the rainforest. Identify each text structure used.
There are five levels of the rainforest. The ground level is called the forest floor. Snakes, tapirs, jaguars, tamanduas, and gorillas are just a few of the species that live here. It is dark on the rainforest floor. This is because of the tall trees above that block the sunlight. Insects, giant centipedes, spiders, ants, and beetles are also very abundant here. The floor of the rainforest is often very open and easy to walk across. That is because so little light reaches the floor that very few plants can grow there.
TEXT STRUCTURE:
There are many tribes of people who have lived in the rainforests for thousands of years. These forest dwellers usually belong to one of two groups. They are usually hunter-gatherers or slash-and-burn farmers. Hunter-gatherers kill animals and gather what the forest provides for part of their food. Many of the people hunt with poisoned arrows. The poisons come from the plants of the forest. Most of the forest people are slash-and-burn farmers. They start by cutting (slashing) down the trees and the other plants in an area. They let the dead plants dry out, then they burn them. The ash from the burned plants goes into the soil and makes it fertile for a little while. This type of farming does not harm the rainforest when only a few people are doing it. The rainforest easily regrows to fill in the clearings after the people leave.
Rainforest Facts for Kids. Kiddle Encyclopedia
TEXT STRUCTURE:
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