

Common Nonfiction Text Structures

Structure	Transition words
<i>Chronological</i>	<i>first, then, next, after that, finally, before, after</i>
<i>Problem/solution</i>	<i>a problem is, a solution is, if . . . then . . . , so that</i>
<i>Cause and effect</i>	<i>because, since, reasons, then, therefore, so, in order</i>
<i>Compare/contrast</i>	<i>different, same, alike, similar, although, but, yet, or</i>