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Thank you for purchasing this set of text features posters and corresponding activity sheet. I hope they will help your students understand and use text features while reading.

The top half of each poster has the name of the text feature and definition. The bottom half has an example or illustration. These can be left whole for display purposes or cut apart to create a matching activity.

The student worksheets are found at the end of the file. The first one is designed to be used with any non-fiction book. Students will hunt through the book to find as many text features as they can. Then, they will explain how 3 of the text features of their choice help the reader better understand the text or topic.

The second worksheet is a cut-and-paste activity. Students will cut out the definitions and glue them onto the chart next to the correct text feature. The last page can be used as an answer key or as a reference sheet for students to keep in their folders.

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Boldface Type

words typed in a darker color to show their importance

During ancient Greek times, the soil was not very **fertile**. However, the Greeks were able to grow many kinds of crops by developing **irrigation** systems.

Bullet Point

a small dot symbol used to mark items in a list and make them easier to read

Food Groups

- Fruits apple, banana, orange
- Vegetables squash, potato, cabbage
- Grains wheat, oatmeal, rice
- Protein meat, nuts
- Dairy milk, cheese

Caption

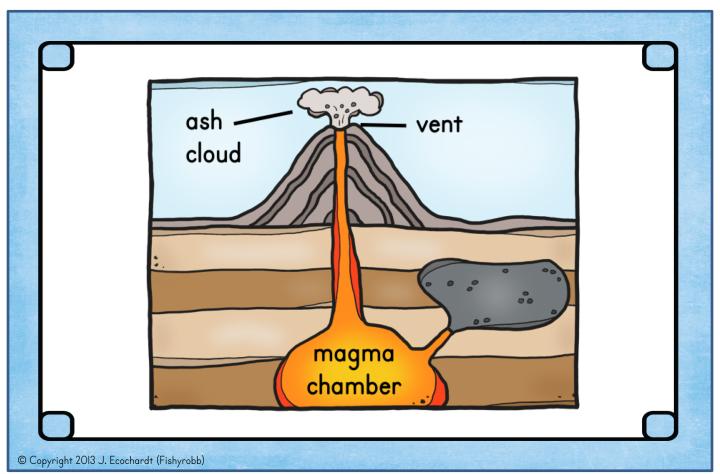
words underneath or beside an illustration or photo that explain what it is about



A turtle hides inside its shell to protect itself from danger.

Diagram

a drawing or picture that shows parts of something or explains how it works



Glossary

a list of important words and their definitions found at the end of a text

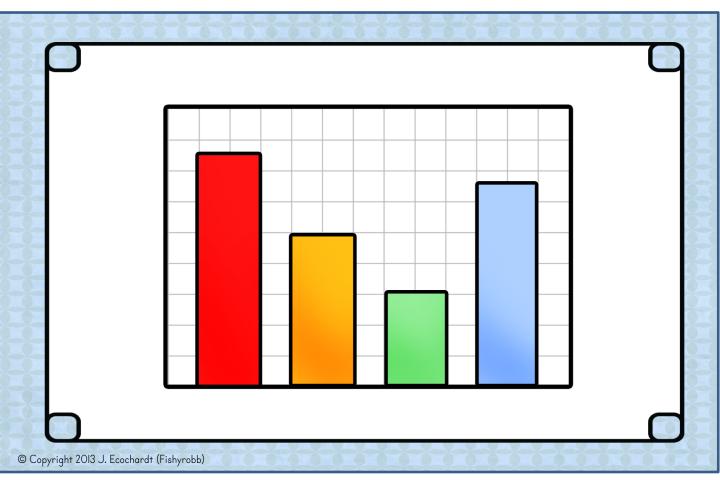
Atmosphere: the blanket of air that surrounds the earth

Matter: anything that takes up space

Pitch: how low or high a note sounds

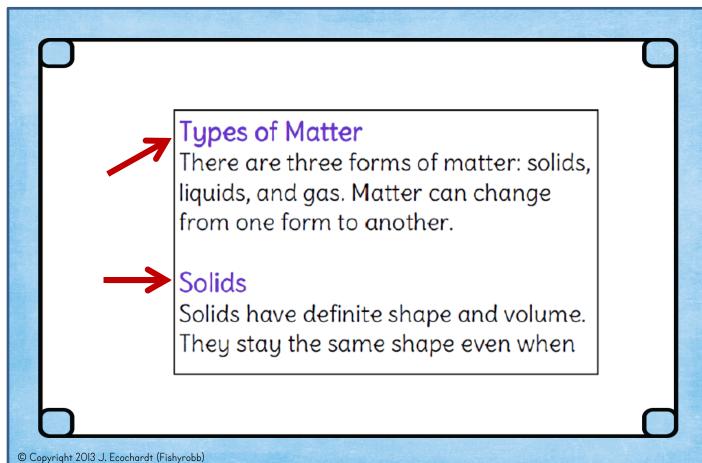
Graph

a visual way to show and compare information



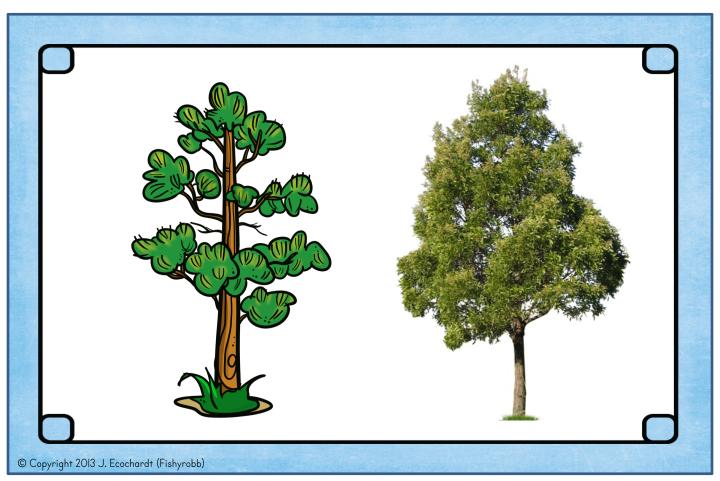
Heading

a word or short phrase that tells the topic or main idea of a section



Illustration/Photo

an artist's drawing or camera picture that shows what something in the text looks like



Index

an alphabetical list of topics found in the text located at the end of the book

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Atmosphere - 7, 8, 31

Clouds - 16, 18

Hurricane - 24

Weather - I, 2, 6, 14, 29

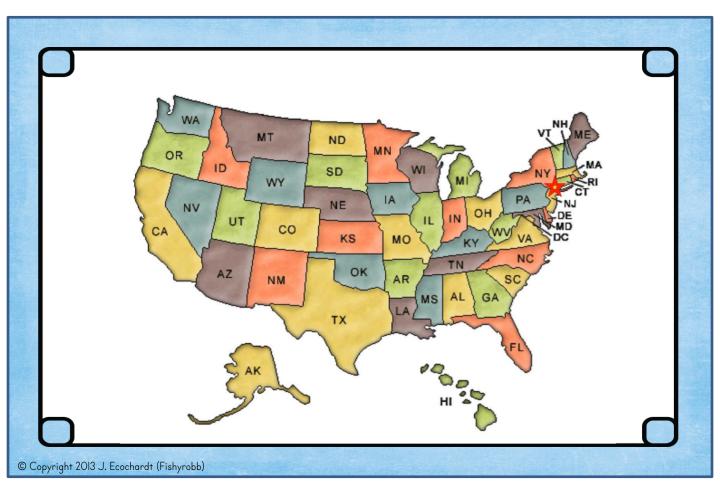
Italics

a kind of text that uses slanted letters to make important words stand out

Did you know that spiders are not insects. They are *arachnids*. A spider has eight legs, while insects only have six. Spiders also have just two body parts. Insects have three.

<u>Map</u>

a drawing of part of the Earth's surface that shows its features or where things are located



Sidebar

a box of text on the side of the page that gives extra information about the topic

Mammals of the Sky

Bats are the only mammal that can truly fly. Their wings aren't like bird wings. They are made of two layers of skin stretched over the bat's fingers and arms.

Bat use their wings mostly at night as they hunt for prey.

Are Vampires Real?

There actually is a Vampire bat! It drinks the blood of other animals for food. But don't worry; vampire bats aren't interested in humans.

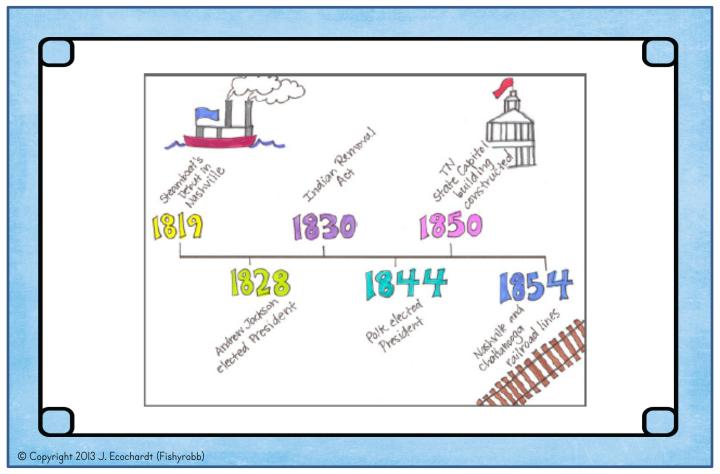
Table of Contents

a list of each chapter in a book and the page number it starts on

Under the Sea	7
Shells & Mollusks	9
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Timeline

a type of graph that shows the order of events over time



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picture of an area that helps the reader understand where something is located	a drawing or picture that shows the parts of something or explains how it works
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a box of text on the side of the page that gives extra information about the topic	a special kind of text with slanted letters to make important words stand out
a visual representation that shows the order of events over timevisual	alphabetical list of topics found in the text; located at the end of the book
words typed in a darker color to show their importance	way to show and compare information

Text Features Chart

bold type	words typed in a darker color to show their importance		photo/ illustration	an artist's drawing or camera picture that shows what something in the text looks like
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glossary	a list of important words and their definitions found at the end of a text		sidebar	a box of text on the side of the page that gives extra information about the topic
graph	visual way to show and compare information		table of contents	a list of each chapter in a book and the page number it starts on
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