The four text types list four general reasons why authors write. Identifying the text type of a passage helps the reader set the purpose for reading and alerts the reader to the organization of the piece.

### Narrative
- Entertains
- Tells a story
- Character(s), setting, problem, resolution

### Expository
- Facts/information
- Text features (headings, bold words, charts, graphs, captions)

### Technical
- Information to perform a task
- Steps

### Persuasive
- Author tries to convince reader to take a certain opinion or perform a certain action

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Text structures are organizational patterns found within the text types. An author often chooses one main text structure for a piece but may incorporate several of the text structures throughout the piece.

### Sequence
- Steps
- Specific order

1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 
5.

### Problem and Solution
- Problem, which is solved
- Problem
- Event
- Event
- Solution

### Compare and Contrast
- Comparing how things are the same/different

### Description
- Details

### Cause and Effect
- Something causes something else to happen