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Structure And Purpose

Directions: Read each pair of passages about the same topic. Then answer the questions that follow.

Pair 1 - Topic: Exercise

Passage A (Chronological):

First, Emily stretched her legs. Next, she jogged around the block. Finally, she cooled down with a glass of water.

Passage B (Problem/Solution):

Emily felt tired all the time. To fix this, she started jogging daily, which gave her more energy.

- 1. Which structure is Passage A using?
- 2. Which structure is Passage B using?
- 3. Why might an author choose **problem/solution** instead of chronological when writing about exercise?

Pair 2 - Topic: Phones

Passage A (Compare/Contrast):

A smartphone and a flip phone can both make calls, but smartphones also allow apps, internet, and touch screens.

Passage B (Description):

The new smartphone is sleek, lightweight, and has a bright screen with crystalclear sound.

- 4. Which structure is Passage A using?
- 5. Which structure is Passage B using?
- 6. Why might an author choose **compare/contrast** instead of description when writing about phones?

