Structure in Documents

Text structures aren't just in stories or textbooks; they appear in **real-life documents** all around you. Recognizing them helps you read faster and understand the author's purpose. The five common structures are:

- **Cause & Effect**
- **Chronological/Sequence**
- **Problem & Solution**
- **Compare & Contrast**
- **Description**

Directions: Read the list of documents. Match each one to the structure it most likely uses. Write the correct structure on the line.

1. A recipe card explains the steps to make spaghetti and meatballs.

Structure: _____

2. A weather report explains that a cold front is moving in, which will cause thunderstorms in the afternoon.

Structure: _____

3. A travel brochure describes a hotel with ocean views, bright rooms, and a rooftop pool.

Structure: _____

4. An advertisement compares two laptops side by side, showing that one has a longer battery life but the other has a larger screen.

Structure: _____

5. A community flyer explains the problem of litter in the park and offers solutions like cleanup days and more trash bins.

Structure: _____

Challenge: Think of **one more real-life document**. Write a short description of it and identify its likely text structure.

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