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Identifying Text Structure

Directions: Read each paragraph. Decide which **text structure** it uses: compare and contrast, problem and solution, cause and effect, or chronological order.



1. Last winter, our class planted bulbs in the school garden. First we dug holes and placed each bulb inside. Next we covered them with soil and watered them. By spring, green shoots began to appear, and soon the garden was full of colorful flowers.

Text structure: _____

2. The old playground slide was cracked and unsafe, so students had to wait for repairs. The principal met with the maintenance team to fix the problem. After they replaced the platform and cleaned the surface, the slide was ready to use again.

Text structure: _____

3. Penguins and puffins both live in cold places and are excellent swimmers. However, penguins cannot fly, while puffins can soar through the air with strong wings. Puffins also nest on cliffs, unlike penguins, which gather in large groups on ice.

Text structure: _____

4. When the power went out during the storm, the kitchen grew dark. Because the refrigerator stopped working, everyone helped move food to the cooler. As a result, nothing spoiled before the electricity returned.

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5. To prepare for the big spelling test, Maya made flashcards and practiced every evening. She studied challenging words first, then reviewed the easier ones. Finally she asked her brother to quiz her on all the words she found difficult.

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