Nonfiction Text Features Chart

| Text Feature | Purpose | Example |
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| Title | Identifies the topic of the text/tells what the text will be about | The Skeletal System The skeletal system is made up of all the bones in your body. It is also made of the things that connect your bones together: tendons, ligaments, and cartilage. The skeletal system also includes one set of hard objects that aren't bones: your teeth! |
| Title Page | Tells a book's title, author, illustrator, and publisher | The Amazing Human Body Author: Drew Science Illustrations: Julie Penn Organic C HID - Ordered Management |
| Table of Contents | Tells the names of chapters and what page the chapters can be found | Bones Page 3 Muscles Page 17 Skin Page 28 Brain and Nerves Page 42 Major Organs Page 57 Veins and Arteries Page 71 |
| Index | Tells what pages the reader can find certain topics | A Belly Button, 28 Abdomen, 24 Ankles, 14 Armpits, 15 Arms, 15-16 Arteries, 75-76 Back, 16 Belly Button, 28 Blood, 77-80 Body Parts, 57-65 Bones, 3-16 Brain, 42-50 Brain Stem, 43 Breathing, 54-60 Bronchi, 61-62 Byproduct, 87 |
| Glossary | Tells the definitions of some of the words found in a text | Shin – the front of the leg bone that runs from the knee to the ankle. Skin – the outer layer of tissue that covers the entire body. Skull – the large structure of bones in the head. Thigh – the part of the leg that runs from the knee to the hip. Tooth – a hard bony object in the jaw; used for chewing. |
| Heading | Divides the text into sections and explains what the sections will be about | Central Nervous System Brain Your brain commots all functions in the body. This includes things like breatime, having a heartbeat, moving your arms and legs, etc. The brain controls these functions by sending and receiving messages through the nerves. Spinal Cord The spinal cord is the main pathway that connects the brain with the peripheral nervous system. It is profected by your spinal column, which is a long series of bones called |

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| Photograph | Shows what something looks like (taken with a camera) | |
| Illustration | Shows what something looks like (drawn by an artist) | |
| Caption | Explains what a photograph or illustration is about | This is a side view of a human brain. |
| Labels | Tells the names of certain parts of a photograph or illustration | Trachea Bronchiole Main Bronchus |
| Graph | Organizes and helps compare information in a visual way | The human body is made of: 53% Water 47% other elements |
| Table | Organizes facts and numbers in a visual way so it is easier to read | How much does your heart beat? Number of beats Amount of Time 90 MINUTE 129,000 DAY 3.8 million MONTH 47.3 million YEAR |

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| Мар | Shows where places/ events are located | % of Americans with Heart Disease 20 - 24 % 25 - 29 % More than 30% |
| Diagram | Explains information or how something works in a visual way | EYELID IRIS PUPIL RETINA |
| Bold Print | Shows what words are important or what words can be found in the glossary | The digestive system is made up of organs and glands that help your body process food. |
| Italics | Shows that a word is important | The average adult breathes more than 600 times <i>each hour</i> . Adults take more than 20,000 breaths <i>each day</i> . |
| Bullet Points | Makes lists easier to read and understand | Types of blood vessels: Arteries Veins Capillaries |
| Fact Box/ Side Bar | Gives interesting facts or extra information about a topic | Bones and More Bones The Skeletal System The skeletal system is made up of all the bones in your body. It is also made of the things that connect your bones to each other-tendons, ligaments, and cartiliage. The skeletal system also includes one set of hard objects that aren't bones: your teeth! Teeth are actually made of enamel, which is a substance that is even harder than your |