

TEXT FEATURES

Nonfiction authors use text features to help the reader understand the text.

There are five different types of text features.



Types of Text Features

1. Text features that are part of a text
 - Shows reader how text is organized
 - Tells reader what sections are about
2. Navigating text features
 - Tells reader what pages to find topics or words on
3. Text features that support the text
 - Gives reader additional information about text
4. Special print
 - Draws attention to important vocabulary words
5. Electronic search tools
 - Helps the reader navigate computers and websites

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Nonfiction Text Features

DIGITAL Mini lessons





Text Features

Watch the video about how to identify and use text features to locate information.





USING TEXT FEATURES

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The Milky Way Our Home Galaxy

The Milky Way is our home galaxy. It contains over 200 billion stars, including our Sun. It has a diameter of 100,000 light years.

The Milky Way was discovered by the Ancient Greeks. The Milky Way has three main parts: a disk, a bulge, and a halo.

On what page could we find information about dwarf planets?

What is a word that could be included in the index for page 1?

Choose a word from the text that should be included in the glossary.

Create a heading for the second paragraph on page 1.

USING SEARCH TOOLS

Which text feature would be most useful for finding out where this business is located?

Which text feature would you use to send them a private message?

What is the purpose of the hyperlink on this website?

Which text feature would you use to get to the main homepage?



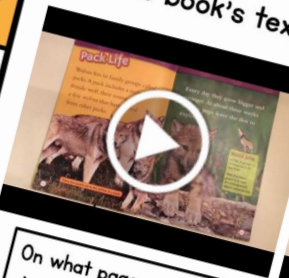
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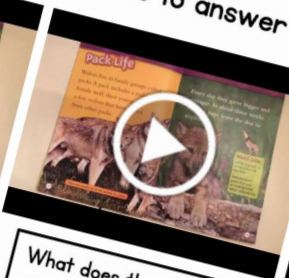


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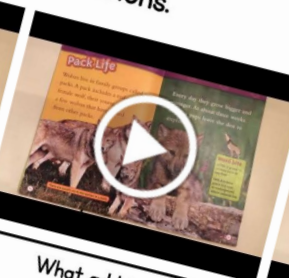
Use the book's text features to answer the questions.



On what page could you learn more about how wolves live in packs?



What does the sidebar "Word bite" help the reader understand?



What additional information is learned by reading the caption?



Create a heading that could be used on the last paragraph of this page.