

Sequencing Questions

Sequence shows the chronological order of events - what event happened first, second, and third in a passage..

Sequencing questions ask you to put things in the same order in which they happened. Look for a key word in the question like before, after, first, and last. Pay attention to time clues in the selection. These can be hours, days, months, years, and dates.

Sometimes sequencing questions will ask you to fill in an empty box in a graphic organizer. Let's look at an example:

The boxes tell some things that happened in the story. Which event belongs in Box 3?

The marsh was a wonderful place for frogs.	The frogs enjoyed catching bugs and playing in the water.	
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1

2

3

- A. The frogs settled in the swamp.
- B. The frogs found a new place to live.
- C. The frogs jumped into the pond.
- D. The frogs rested on the logs.

Sequencing Questions Found On Test

What event happened first?

What did the coyote do right after leaving the thicket?

Which event belongs in box 1?

Which event happened first in the article?

What happened before the storm started but after the eye of the hurricane passed?

The story describes a sequence of events. Which event occurred last?

Sequencing Vocabulary

Using the lines provided, define the vocabulary words. Discuss the words with your classmates.

sequencing

events

beginning

middle

end

graphic organizer

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SKILL DRILL PRACTICE 4

Sequencing

DIRECTIONS: Read the questions for the day and name the reading comprehension skill used for each question.

Focus Skills	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail</p>	What did the pirates do first to disguise their ship as a trading vessel?	Which detail tells how water spiders got their name?	After Veronica leaves the concert, she will go....
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail</p>	The best title for the story is...	Which of these happened last?	How long did the storm last?
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail</p>	Which of these happened first?	What is the main idea of this selection?	A female tarantula lays more than...
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail</p>	The boxes tell some things that happened in the story. Which event belongs in Box 2?	After the beaver leaves the forest, Rabbit...	Before attacking its prey, a python...
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail</p>	What is the first thing you should do before exercising?	Read this sentence from the article. The coach emphasized the <i>core</i> of the plan. What does <i>core</i> mean?	Which event happened last in the article?

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SKILL DRILL PRACTICE 4
Answer Sheet

Name _____

Week of _____

Circle Number Correct: 15 14 13 12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3
Monday			
Tuesday			
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Author's Purpose Questions

Author's purpose questions want to see if the reader understands why an author wrote the passage or book. There are several reasons that authors write things. An author may give you fact or true information about a subject. This author is writing to **inform** the reader. Some authors write fiction stories or stories that are not true. These authors want to **entertain** the reader. Other authors may write to try to get you to do something. These authors want to **persuade** the reader.

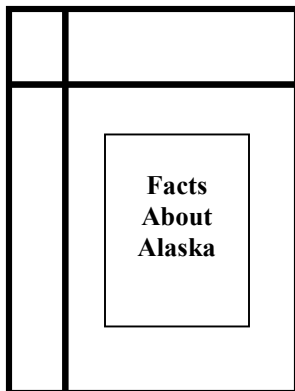
Author's Purpose Questions Found On Test

What is the author's purpose for writing this poem?

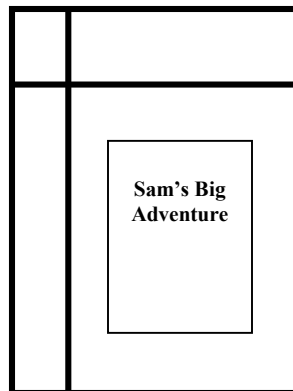
The author probably wrote the story to...

The author's purpose in paragraph two is to...

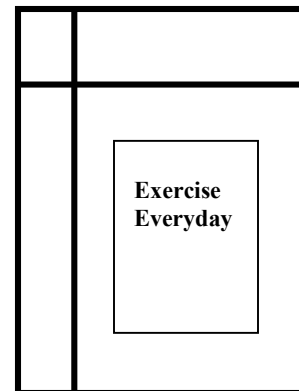
Titles of Books



Inform the Reader



Entertain the Reader



Persuade the Reader

Author's Purpose Vocabulary

Using the lines provided, define the vocabulary words. Discuss the words with your classmates.

author

purpose

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SKILL DRILL PRACTICE 5

Author's Purpose

DIRECTIONS: Read the questions for the day and name the reading comprehension skill used for each question.

Focus Skills	Question 1	Question 2	Question 3
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail Author's Purpose</p>	In paragraph 3, the writer says that the heron left the bread <i>untouched</i> . This means that the heron...	What is the main idea of this selection?	Why did the author write this article?
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail Author's Purpose</p>	The author probably wrote this poem in order to...	Why did the author write this story?	What is the most important lesson in the story?
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail Author's Purpose</p>	Which of these is a fact from the article?	The author wrote this passage mainly to...	The story describes a sequence of events. Which event occurred last?
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail Author's Purpose</p>	A suitable title for this story is...	According to the passage, how tall are brontosaurus?	Why did Vanessa Pacquette write the poem "Mothers"?
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday</p> <p>Vocabulary Main Idea Sequencing Fact and Detail Author's Purpose</p>	What do you think was the main reason the author wrote this story?	Based on the information from the story, coal is...	When the author states, "the cattle roam tirelessly over the valley," it is to convince the reader that...

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SKILL DRILL PRACTICE 5
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