



**Nonfiction Text  
Features**

- Nonfiction refers to a type of text.
- Nonfiction texts give us information and facts.
- Books, posters and articles can all be nonfiction.

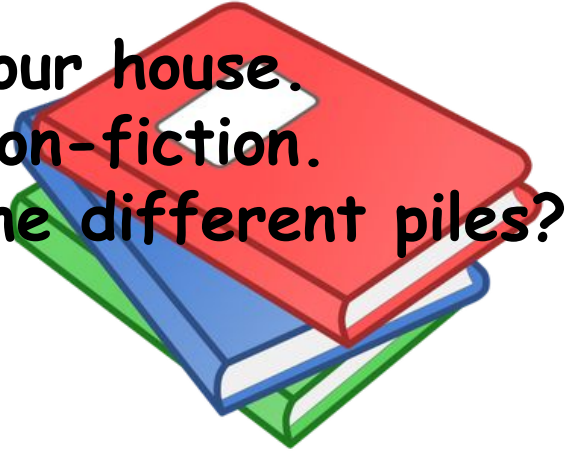


**Watch this little video to review the difference between nonfiction and fiction.**



# Book Hunt

- ★ Look through the books in your house.
- ★ Sort some into fiction and non-fiction.
- ★ What do you notice about the different piles?



# Text Features - What Are They?

Texts features help you to understand a text better.

Texts features give information about the text.


## Nonfiction Text Features


**Bold Print**

Colored Text

*Italics*

**Big Text**  
Small text

Diagrams  


Timelines  


Highlighted Text

Index  
Egypt 2,4,6  
King Tut 3,5,7  
pyramids 10,11


•Bullets  
•Bullets  
•Bullets


Table of Contents  
Greece.....3  
Rome.....5  
China.....7



Glossary  
amnesty-pardon  
barter-trade  
capital-cash  
decade-ten years

Tables/Charts  

# of casualties	Jan	Feb
2011	1	2
2012	3	4

Maps  


Graphs  


Pictures and Captions  
  
*Caravel*  
  
*Egypt's Sphinx*

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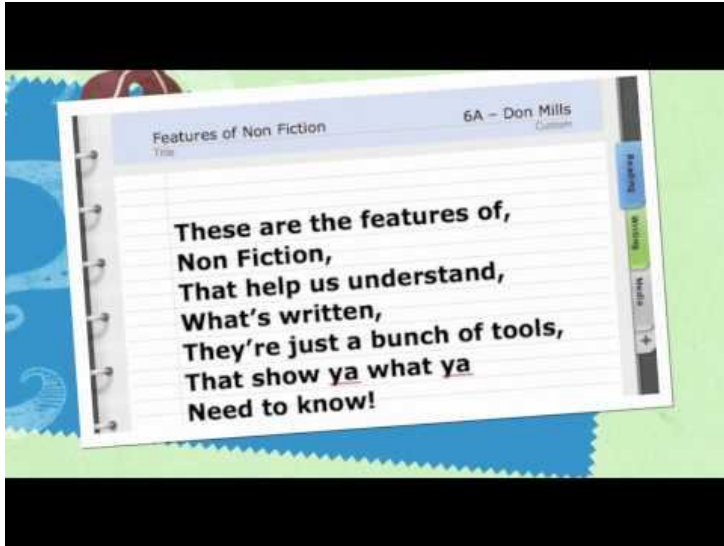
This video will explain some more about nonfiction text features.



What nonfiction text features do you remember from the video?

Check on the next page to see how many you got right.

## Non-Fiction Texts Features



- title
- subtitle
- label
- caption
- bold print
- italics
- highlight
- photograph
- diagram
- map
- table of contents
- glossary
- index

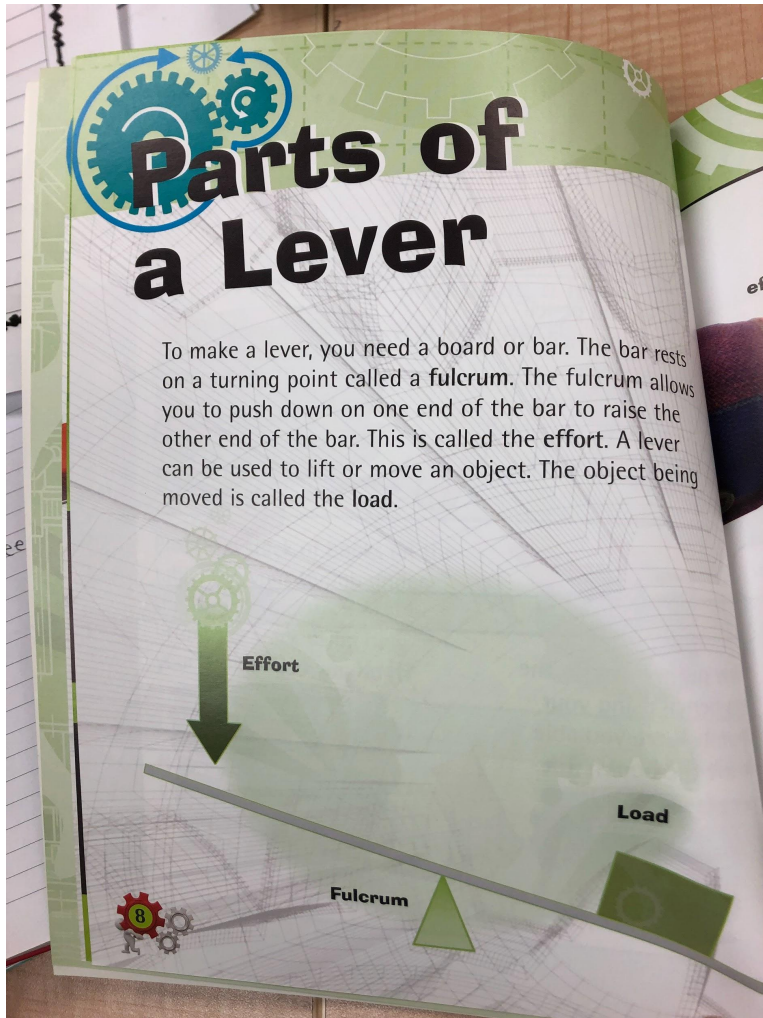
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I want to the know the parts of a lever.

The table of contents shows where everything is in the book. Where do you think we could find the parts of a lever in this book?





What is a fulcrum?

Notice the **bold print**!

Some words are in bold.

Where is the place in the book that will tell me what these words mean?



I can find the definition in the **Glossary**.

The glossary is at the end of the book. It tells us the definitions of the bold words.

# Glossary

**catapult** A device used for throwing objects

**complex machine** A machine where two or more simple machines work together

**effort** The push or pull used to move an object

**energy** The ability to do work

**first-class lever** A lever with the fulcrum between the load and effort; helps lift large objects

**fulcrum** The fixed point around which a lever bar moves

**lever** A stiff bar that moves around a fixed spot

**load** The object to be moved

**mechanical advantage** How much easier and faster a machine makes work

# Index

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# Web Sites

<http://www.edheads.org/activities/simple-machines/>  
<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/physics/machines/Levers.shtml>  
<http://www.elizrosshubbell.com/levertutorial/index.html>

Where can I find  
information about  
hammers?

The index can tell us where to find things in the book.

The index told me that I can find information about **hammers** on page 5 and page 9.



Every non-fiction text does not have to have every text feature. Sometimes, it will only have 2 or 3 of them.

1. Go into RAZ Kids, Reading Room.
2. Read and listen to the Level I book Jane Goodall.
3. Keep track of all the non-fiction text features you see.
4. Answer the questions listed on the chart on the next page.
5. The correct answers will be listed on the following slide from that. No peeking!



## **Jane Goodall - Text Features Recording Sheet**

<b>Text Feature</b>	<b>Page (s)</b>
title	
subtitle	
photograph	
caption	
map	
bold print	
table of contents	
glossary	

## Jane Goodall - Text Feature Hunt Answers

<b>Text Feature</b>	<b>Page (s)</b>
<b>title</b>	cover
<b>subtitle</b>	4, 5, 7, 8, 13, 15
<b>photograph</b>	Cover, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15
<b>caption</b>	4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15
<b>map</b>	7
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Now, we are going to pull out specific examples from a text. On this one page I found 3 features.



Egypt's deserts are home to a type of goat called the ibex (IYE-bek), the fennec fox, and the spiny-tailed lizard.

### Animals

Many animals live in Egypt.

Foxes, lizards, and other animals live in the desert.

People raise water buffalo, sheep, and goats.

Some people use camels to travel from place to place.

Text Feature	Example
Title	
Subtitle	Animals
Photo	
Diagram	
Map	
Label	Ibex, fennec fox,spiny-tailed lizard
Caption	Egypt's deserts are home to a type of goat called the ibex, the fennec fox, and the spiny tailed lizard.
Bold print	
Italic	
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**Now, you try! This week for language, please submit only this activity to your teacher by taking a picture and emailing or uploading/completing your work in a Google Doc and putting it in your Language folder.**

1. Go into RAZ Kids, Reading Room.
2. Read and listen to the Level J book Wiggly Worms.
3. Keep track of the non-fiction text features you see.
4. Copy an **example of 5** of the nonfiction text features, that you see anywhere in the book (doesn't have to be all on one page!) The chart to write your answers on, is on the next slide.  
**\*\*You can print it out, or use scrap paper!**



<b>Text Feature (Pick 5)</b>	<b>Examples From Wiggly Worms, Level J</b>
<b>Title</b>	
<b>Subtitle</b>	
<b>Photo</b>	
<b>Diagram</b>	
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Label</b>	
<b>Caption</b>	
<b>Bold print</b>	
<b>Italic</b>	
<b>Table of contents</b>	
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<b>Glossary</b>	

# Text Feature Hunt

Use your own books or some from Raz Kids and try to find one of each of the following text features. There is a recording sheet on the next page if you want to keep track.

- Title
- Subtitle
- Photo
- Diagram
- Map
- Bold print
- Italic
- Highlight
- Label
- Caption
- Table of contents
- Glossary
- Index



**Text  
Feature  
Scavenger  
Hunt  
Recording  
Sheet**

<b>Text Feature</b>	<b>Book Title</b>
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