Handale Primary School





Audience	Someone who is interested in the topic; Someone who enjoys information.
Purpose	To inform the reader about the topic describing its characteristics in an engaging and interesting way.
Typical Structure	 Opening that introduces the reader to the subject; Chunks of information, logically organised possibly with subheadings, information boxes, lists, bullet points, diagrams and images; Paragraphs usually begin with a topic sentence Ending – that makes a final 'amazing' point or relates the subject to the reader.
Typical Language Features	 Generalisers such as – most, many, some, a few, the majority; Connectives to add information – furthermore, also, additionally; Subject specific and technical vocabulary; Often in the present tense and third person; Usually fairly formal, especially if written for an unknown reader; Detail and description, including comparisons
Examples	 Natural world: sharks, dinosaurs, butterflies Places: our school, India, river deltas People: life in the Caribbean, living in the desert Objects – racing cars, mobile phones

Useful generalisers

- Most
- Many
- All
- A few
- The vast majority
- Usually
- Occasionally

Vary sentence openings to engage the reader

- Amazingly
- Intriguely
- Surprisingly
- interestingly

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Use the language of comparison

- is similar to
- unlike
- identical to
- related to
- in the same way