

PURPOSE: The strategy helps students locate and use text features to find information in text. Students look for various features, such as table of contents, the index, glossary, headings, etc., in a number of texts. Then they learn to use these features to locate information in the text.

Strategy Instructions for Locating and Explaining Purpose of Text Features

- Introduce Text Features
- Use the “Text Features Scavenger Hunt” graphic organizer with students to find and record the location of text features in various informational texts.
 - **NOTE:** Often students can easily locate the features, but they have difficulty using these features to support learning from the text.
- After learning the various features, students find **and also name** the features for additional practice.
 - Use the Florida Center for Research graphic organizer #C.014-SS2, “Text Feature Find,” after introducing the features.

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