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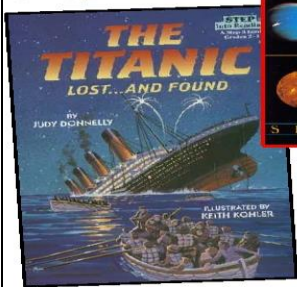
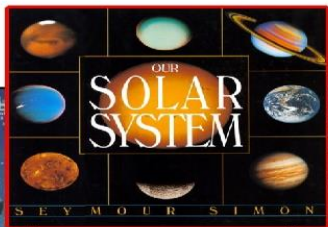
Term two

Objectives: 1- Identify features of non-fiction information texts.

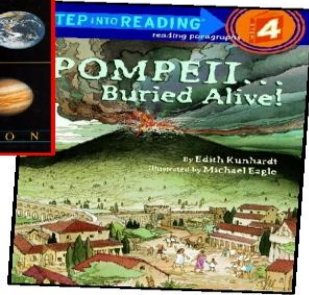
2- Plan and write an information text.

Informational

Texts that provide facts about a variety of topics (sports, animals, science, history, careers, travel, geography, space, weather, etc.)




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INFORMATION TEXTS

Information books are about real life subjects.



An information text is a piece of non-fiction writing which gives information about a particular thing or place (For example Palestine, volcanoes or tigers).

Information texts are sometimes called **non-chronological** (facts are not put in order) because they are giving information about something without mentioning the order in which it happened. These texts do not need to be read from beginning to end.

Non-chronological Reports
non means not
chrono means time
logical means ordered

Can you think of any examples of informational texts?



Information texts (reports) differ from stories.

Information text

Story

Verbs are in the present tense.	Verbs are in the past tense.
There is no dialogue (speech marks and speech verbs).	There is dialogue (speech marks and speech verbs).
Information doesn't have to be in a certain order.	Events have to be in the correct order.
There are headings and subheadings.	There are no headings and subheadings



How do we write information texts?

- 1- Choose your topic and collect your information and facts; you can use books, CD s, internet or interviews.
- 2- Organize your information; using a mind map.
- 3- Plan the features of your text.
- 4- Write the text clearly in the present tense.
- 5- Organize information in clear paragraphs. Start each paragraph with general information (topic sentence), and then add details and specific facts.

Features of an information text



Subheading

Heading

Lions

How big are lions?
Lions are the second largest cat species in the world. The average male lion weighs around 180 kg (400 lb) while the average female lion weighs around 130 kg (290 lb).

Where do lions live?
Lions mostly live in the grasslands, savanna and open woodlands of Africa, but they also live in the Gir Forest in India.

Do lions live on their own?
No, lions live in groups called prides. Sometimes, a pride can contain as many as 40 lions, but they can also have as few as three!

What do lions eat?
Lions are carnivorous animals, which means they eat meat. The animals they eat include deer, zebras, giraffes and hippos. Believe it or not, the female lions are the hunters. However, it is the male who will eat first, then the females and the cubs last.

Glossary

- cub**
a young lion
- savanna**
a grassy plain in a hot country with few trees

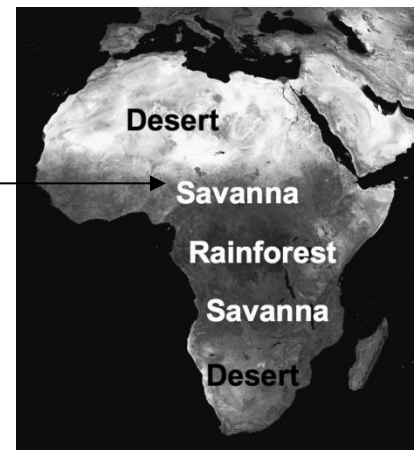
Photograph

Glossary

A pride of lions

Caption

Label



Now let's plan and write an information text.

Desert Meerkats

Meerkats are desert animals that live in groups called gangs.



Where do meerkats live?

Meerkats dig underground burrows. The burrows are safe places where they give birth to their young. They sleep in their burrows at night, and in the daytime they set off in search of food.

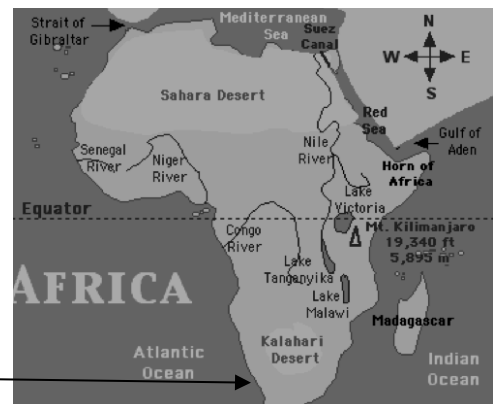


What do meerkats eat?

They eat worms, grasshoppers, lizards, snakes eggs and fruit. Most of all they love grubs.

How do they sleep?

When it's really hot, meerkats have a nap. One meerkat stays awake and looks out for danger.



Kalahari desert

Meerkats live in the Kalahari desert, which is in Africa.