

# EXPOSITORY TEXT

## What Is Expository Text?

Expository writing **explains** a topic(s) to the reader. This type of writing may also **inform** the reader, or **compare and contrast** different subjects.

### Examples:

**1. "How To," or Process Directions:**

*How to Climb a Rock Wall*  
*How to Train for a Marathon*

**2. Reports:**

Report on *The Most Influential President of the Nineteenth Century*  
 Report on *Why Spanish is the Most Valuable Foreign Language to Study*

**3. C**



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### Try This

- 1] The title of an expository piece is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- One item in an expository piece is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- strawberries
  - peas
  - potatoes
  - mushrooms

- 2] The **ending** of an expository piece is called the \_\_\_\_\_.
- connection
  - consequence
  - conclusion
  - conservation

- 3] In a compare and contrast essay on **Minerals**, one topic is **Mica**. Choose the other topic.
- Quartz
  - Geology
  - Rocks
  - Sedimentary