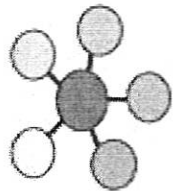
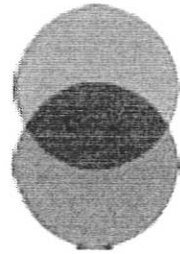
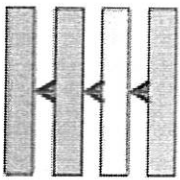
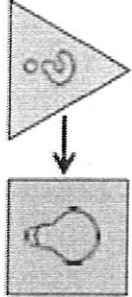
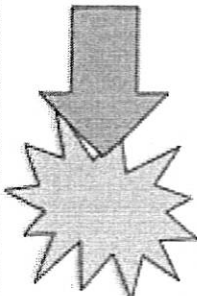


Common Text Structures

Structure	Definition	Visual	Clues
Description	the author provides several details of something to give the reader a mental picture		many adjectives, characteristics, or examples
Compare & Contrast	the author discusses similarities and differences between people, things, concepts, or ideas		likenesses and differences are discussed; also, both, in contrast, etc
Order & Sequence & Chronological	the author provides readers with chronological events or a list of steps in a procedure		events in order of occurrence, instructions given step-by-step, order words: first, next, etc
Problem & Solution	the author gives information about a problem and explains one or more solutions		a problem is solved or needs solving; problem, solution, solve
Cause & Effect	the author describes an event or several events (cause) and the events that follow (effect)		cause, because, effect, as a result of, due to, reason

(Includes chronological if it is time-ordered – dates, times, etc.)

Chronological includes events in date-order