

7 Questions to Ask Yourself When Reading an Expository Text



1 What is the writing style?

Descriptive, persuasive, analytical, argumentative, etc.

2 What is the genre of the text?

Dictionary entry, biography, popular science article, review, open letter, etc.

3 What is the text about?

Background information, main idea(s) of each paragraph, etc.

4 What is the author's point of view?

Neutral, subjective, positive, negative, etc.

5 How is the text organized?

Title, subtitles, parts of the text (introduction, development, conclusion), paragraphs, spatial markers, etc.

6 How did you react to the text?

Interesting facts, surprising information, shocking statements, etc.

7 What elements allow you to make judgments about the text?

Quality of information and sources, visual aids, relevance of the title, writing style, etc.

