

How Things Work: An Explanation Guide with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To write an explanation text using logical order, clear headings, and present tense verbs.

Hello! I am Max. I love to find out how things work. Use this template to write your own explanation text. Follow these steps: 1. Choose a topic. 2. Write a clear title. 3. Use the headings to help you explain the process step-by-step. Remember to use words like 'first', 'next', and 'finally'.

Word bank: First · Next · Then · After that · Finally · Because · Therefore · Process · Steps · Important

1. Title: Write the name of the thing you are explaining here (e.g., How a plant grows). (1 mark)

2. Introduction: Use one or two sentences to say what the thing is and why it is interesting. (2 marks)

3. The Steps: Use this space to explain the process. Start with 'First...' and explain what happens next. (4 marks)

4. Conclusion: Write one sentence to explain why this process is important or what happens at the very end. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Can you add a 'Did you know?' box at the bottom with one amazing fact about your topic?