

Mastering Non-Chronological Reports with Max the Maths Monkey

Learning objective: To identify, define, and apply the structural features of non-chronological reports suitable for Year 5 English.

Use these flashcards to test your knowledge of non-chronological report writing. Max the Maths Monkey wants you to be as precise as possible with your definitions!

What is the primary purpose of a non-chronological report?

To provide information about a specific subject or topic without following a timeline or sequence of events.

Define a 'Subheading' in the context of a report.

A short title used to break the text into manageable sections, helping the reader find specific information quickly.

Why do we use the 'Third Person' perspective in a report?

To maintain an objective, detached tone, focusing on the subject rather than the writer's personal feelings.

Explain the function of an 'Introduction' paragraph.

To hook the reader, define the subject, and provide a brief overview of what the report will cover.

What is a 'Fact' and why is it essential in a report?

A statement that can be proven to be true; it is essential for providing accurate, reliable information to the reader.

Define 'Classification' in a report.

Categorising information into logical groups, such as habitat, diet, or physical characteristics, to help organise the report's content.

What is a 'Glossary' and where is it usually found?

An alphabetical list of technical or difficult terms used in the text with their definitions, usually found at the end of the report.

Describe the 'Formal Tone' required for this genre.

A style of writing that avoids slang, contractions, and emotive language, ensuring the content sounds professional and informative.

What is the purpose of an 'Index'?

A list of key terms and topics at the end of a report with page numbers, allowing the reader to locate specific information instantly.

How does 'Layout' contribute to an effective report?

The use of visual elements like bullet points, captions, images, and clear headings to make information accessible and easy to digest.