information

non-fiction text

examples

reports
comparisons

purpose

to describe the way things are
they can describe a range of natural, cultural or social phenomena

structure

an opening, general classification
a more technical classification
a description of phenomena
summarising conclusion

language

present tense
non chronological order
focus on groups of things
impersonal, sometimes in passive
connectives stress sequence, cause and effect, comparison

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