

Text Structure and Language Features: Example 1

Text Structure - Procedure

Note: This is not the text structure for a science experiment report. This is only the part known as method.

Goal or aim

Materials and/or equipment

Steps to accomplish goal

EVAPORATION

Aim:

To find out about evaporation.

Equipment:

50ml water beakers, some aluminium foil, marker pen,

Method:

1. Fill two beakers with the same amount of water.
2. Mark the water level on the outside of each beaker.
3. Put a foil cover over one of the beakers.
4. Leave both beakers in a warm place for a few days.
5. Measure the water level in both beakers.
6. Write down the results.

Language Features

Use of nouns and noun groups, e.g. beakers, marker pen

Use of commands, e.g. fill, mark

Use of action verbs, e.g. write down, measure

Use of adverbial phrases, e.g. in a warm place, with the same amount

Use of technical language to build up the field, e.g. evaporation, beakers

Use of numbers to indicate order of events