Features of Text Types		
Fiction/Narrative	Playscript	Poetry
Purpose:	Purpose:	Purpose:
to tell a story, to entertain	to entertain, to tell a story	to amuse, to entertain, to
Structure:	Structure:	reflect, to convey information
• Introduce setting + characters	 Speaker's name on left 	Structure:
Conflict + complication	Colon to separate name from	Rigid structure - rhyme,
 Resolution 	speech	metre, syllable count
 May include - time shifts, 	Stage directions in brackets	Free verse
flashbacks, back-tracking	(how to speak, how to move)	Language features:
Language features:	 New speech, new line 	Rhyme + rhythm
• 1 st or 3 rd person	Language features:	• Imagery – simile, metaphor,
Past tense or present tense	 Exclusive use of direct speech 	personification
Includes dialogue	 Dialogue but no inverted 	Rich vocabulary
Imagery + description	commas	 Sound effects - alliteration,
• Conjunctions		onomatopoeia
Instructions/Procedural	Recount	<u>Report</u>
Purpose: to instruct	Purpose: to retell events	Purpose:
Structure:	Structure:	to describe the way things are
Goal - a statement of what is	 Opening that sets the scene 	Structure:
to be achieved	Events - chronological order	Opening statement
 Materials + equipment needed 	 A closing statement 	 Description of subject
 Sequenced steps 	Language features:	Non-chronological
 Ending sentence 	Past tense	Paragraphs about each aspect
Chronological order	• 1 st or 3 rd person	Conclusion
Diagram/illustration	Time conjunctions	Language features:
Language features:	 Descriptive words 	Present tense
 Present tense 	Direct quotes	• 3 rd person
• 2 nd person	 Reported speech 	Passive voice
 Imperative + formal tone 	 Focus on specific people or 	Technical vocabulary
 Detailed factual information 	events	Descriptive + factual language
<u>Explanation</u>	<u>Persuasion</u>	Discussion/Balanced Argument
Purpose:	Purpose:	Purpose:
to explain how something works	to argue the case for a point of	to present differing viewpoints
or why something occurs	view, to persuade	Structure:
Structure:	Structure:	Title as a question
General statement	Title as a question	Opening statement

Series of logical steps explaining how or why something occurs

Language features:

- Present tense
- 3rd person
- Technical vocabulary
- Time + causal conjunctions
- Formal voice

- Opening statement
- **Arguments**
- Reiteration

Language features:

- Present tense
- Emotive language
- Dare to disagree language
- Exaggeration + flattery
- Logical conjunctions

- Arguments for + against, with supporting evidence
- Summary + conclusion

Language features:

- Present tense
- 3rd person
- Conjunctions
- Impersonal voice
- Formal tone
- Technical Vocabulary