

Reading Passages

Identify the structure of each passage

Chronology

Problem/Solution

Comparison

Cause and Effect

- 1 **Chronology** One day Betina woke up very early when her sister, Bronwen, ran into the room. It was going to be a fun day! They were going to the zoo. They ate breakfast, got dressed, and headed to the bus stop with Nana, their grandmother.
- 2 **Problem/Solution** They waited and waited for the bus to arrive, but after 30 minutes they realized the bus wasn't coming. They would need to find a different way to get to the zoo. Nana thought they should take a cab, but the girls decided that walking would be a fun way to see the city.
- 3 **Chronology** First they passed a building that was all glass windows. Next, they saw a restaurant where people were sitting at tables on the sidewalk. Just past the restaurant they came across a t-shirt shop, a bookstore, and then a pharmacy.
- 4 **Comparison** Even Nana skipped across the street in the crosswalk toward a skyscraper that looked like a silver arrow pointing toward the sky.
- 5 **Cause and Effect** They looked up toward the top of the skyscraper for so long as they walked past that their necks began to ache.
- 6 **Comparison** After walking for half an hour they finally reached the zoo. Statues of some of the animals welcomed them at the entrance. The statues looked so much like real animals that Betina and Bronwen stared at them waiting for them to move.
- 7 **Problem/Solution** Which animals would they see first? Betina would like to visit the elephants first, but Bronwen wanted to see the lizards. Unfortunately, they were on opposite sides of the park. Nana suggested that they flip a coin to decide. If the coin landed on heads they would visit the elephants first. If it landed on tails, the reptile house would be their first stop. Nana flipped the coin into the air, and it spun wildly before coming to a stop on tails.

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Cause and Effect

Off they went to the reptile house. Bronwen wanted to become a herpetologist, which is a person who studies reptiles and amphibians. She held a bearded dragon once, and loved it so much that she decided she wanted to work with them for her whole life.

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Chronology

When they were finished at the reptile house, they made their way to the elephants. First they passed the penguins, then the big cats. They stopped to feed a giraffe some grass, and sat down to watch a demonstration with a bald eagle. Next they listened to the monkeys chatter at each other, and finally arrived at the elephant enclosure where the elephants sprayed water over their backs and ate dinner.

Color Codes Key

Left at Intersection



Right at Intersection



Straight at Intersection



ID the Structure Activity Map

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ANSWER KEY

