

Monday – 30 minutes

Activity / Task

**Informational Text: That's A Fact!**

1. Click the link and read the text titled [Eco-Friendly Foods](#) or you can choose your own informational text.
2. Read the title and list the things you already know about the topic.
3. Write 3 facts and create 3 opinions about the topic in the chart below.
4. Share the facts and opinions with an adult at home. See if they can determine which are facts.



## Informational Text

**Informational text is nonfiction that gives facts about a topic.**

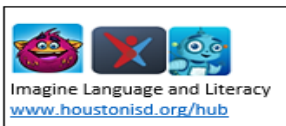
**Purpose:** to **inform** about a **topic** or **central idea**

★ includes details about the central idea such as facts, examples, and evidence

The human eye is made up of more than 2 million parts!

<div style="border: 2px solid yellow; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <p><b>FACTS</b> – information that can be proved true.</p> </div>	<div style="border: 2px solid pink; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <p><b>OPINIONS</b>- ideas or beliefs that cannot be proved true.</p> </div>
<p><b>Central Idea:</b> The central idea of this text is...</p>	

Resources



- [Houston Public Library KIDS Reading Lists](#)



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**Informational Text: What's the Author's Purpose?**

1. Today you will use **facts, examples, and details** to determine the Author's Purpose.
2. Read the section titled [Eco-Friendly Foods](#) or choose your own informational text to answer the questions below in the chart.
3. Present the author's purpose of the text to someone at home. The author's purpose of this text is...



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## Author's Purpose

An author's purpose is his or her reason for writing a text. Knowing the purpose helps you recognize the author's message.

If the author's purpose is to . . .

**Persuade**



readers to think or act in a certain way.

**Inform**



to share information about a topic.

**Entertain**



readers to enjoy a story.

How can you figure out the author's purpose?

**FIRST...** think about the genre.  
**THEN...** ask questions about what you read and find answers.

### Author's Purpose

1. Who do you think the author's intended audience is?

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2. What does the author want readers to do? Use evidence for support.

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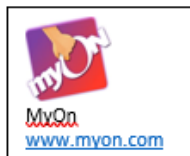
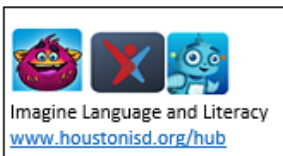
3. What is the purpose of the text and graphic features?

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## Thursday –30 minutes

Activity / Task

### Vocabulary: Context Clues

- Click the link and read the text titled [Eco-Friendly Foods](#) to complete the graphic organizer below.
- Discuss your new understanding of the words with someone at home.

### Context Clues

**LOOK FOR** Good readers use **clues** in the text and visuals to find the **meanings** of unfamiliar words.

**Word Parts** *jump* = *right*  
He started at the **lambent** stars in the sky.

**Examples** *crustaceans*, such as shrimp, lobster, and crabs, live in salt water.

**Definitions** The **canopy**, the leaf-like parts that cover a **linnet** tree, are green.

**Visuals with Labels** Visuals show pictures of the word's meaning. *steer* leaves.

**Synonyms** = **same** *long* wanted to **rectify** his mistake. If the course **corrects** it, he won't.

**Antonyms** = **opposite** *And* would rather be **industrious** than **lazy**.

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### Vocabulary: Context Clues

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**My Sentence:** *My dad takes the bus because it is the most **convenient** way for him to get to work.*

**Meaning:** *I think this word means...*

**New Sentence:**

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### convenient



**Discuss:**

What are some things that make your life more **convenient**?

**My Sentence:** *When you are playing outside during recess, it is important to stay **hydrated**.*

**Meaning:** *I think this word means...*

**New Sentence:**

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### hydrated



**Discuss:**

Why is it important for living things to stay **hydrated**?

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## Friday

Spring Holiday

