

## **I SPY Text Structure Activity Card**

| I SPY<br>( ✓ as found) | TEXT<br>STRUCTURE       | TEXT STRUCTURE DESCRIPTION  | SIGNAL/KEY<br>WORDS   |
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|                        | Description             | Includes a main idea with details.  | characteristics of; details; for example; for instance; includes; in particular; specifically; such as; to illustrate   |
|                        | Problem and Solution    | Notes a problem and explains solution(s).                                   | an answer to; a consequence of; a possible solution to; challenge of; dilemma; in order to solve; issue; problem; question; reason; resolution; resolved                          |
|                        | Chronological           | Presents facts, events or details in the order they occur.                  | on, at (date, time); before; earlier; eventually; following; next; not long after; now; presently; previously; prior to; then; recently; simultaneously; soon; until; when        |
|                        | Compare and<br>Contrast | Explores similarities and/or differences.                                   | alike; also; as opposed to; both; but; comparatively; conversely; different; however; in contrast; instead of; not only; on the other hand; opposite from; same; share; similarly |
|                        | Cause and<br>Effect     | Tells something that happened (the effect) and why it happened (the cause). | as a result; as such; because of; cause; consequently; due to; for this reason; led to; since; so; reason; result of; therefore; unless   |
|                        | Sequence                | Presents information as a set of instructions or steps in a process.        | first; second; third; at once; after; before; during; finally; following; last; next  |

Source: Florida's B.E.S.T. Standards: English Language Arts (page 174)