



## English 8: Reading: Module 3: Lesson 2: Section 2

Make Inferences in Informational/Expository Text

Patterns of Organization

**Instructions:** The chart below shows pattern of organization. Read through it, and then return to the lesson. Keep in mind that texts often employ a combination of these organization patterns.

Textual Organizational Pattern	Definition of Pattern	Example of Pattern
Cause/effect	The relationship between two or more events is discussed.	<i>The widespread use of social media has caused a shift in the way people keep in touch.</i>
Comparison/contrast	Differences and similarities of two or more things are discussed	<i>The women of ancient Sparta were different from the Athenian women in the following ways.</i>
Definition/example	Person, place, thing, or idea is defined and discussed	<i>The relationship between Celsius and Fahrenheit can be explained through the following mathematical formula.</i>
Problem/solution	A difficulty is described and an answer is offered	<i>Thousands of people die on the nation's highways each year as a result of driving while distracted. One solution is to enforce laws against texting while driving.</i>



Source: Pattern, Mark Morgan, Flickr