Make Your Writing Sparkle! Year 5 and 6

Text Structure

- An opening or general statement eg Alsatians are dogs.
- Can use technical language.
- A description of the subject, object or event, in paragraphs or sections with subheadings.

Do you need to use pictures or diagrams to add more information?

Sentence/Word level Features

- Written in the present tense eg They live...
- At first write about general common features eg dogs in general not Rusty the dog.
- Move to the specific eg Rusty the dog.



Non-Chronological Report

Making the Text Interesting

- Possibly use a question in the title to interest and intrigue the reader.
- Open by explaining clearly what you are writing about.
- Use a range of resources to collect information.
- Plan under paragraphs or headings in note form.
- · Select facts to interest the reader.
- · Use tables, diagrams and pictures to add more information.
- Reports are factual but you can add comments or questions to involve the reader.
- Possibly end the report by relating the subject to the reader eg Many people have a dog for a pet.
- Re-read to check you have put across the information clearly.