


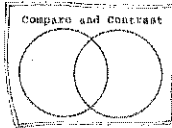
### + Chronological Order

- Information in a passage is ordered by the time in which each event occurred
- Nonfiction passages often contain dates where fiction passages usually don't
- REMEMBER:
  - Chrono = time
  - Logic = order



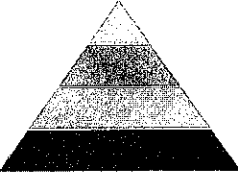
### + Compare and Contrast

- A text structure or pattern of organization where the similarities and differences of two or more things are explored
- REMEMBER:
  - Only discusses similarities = only comparing
  - Only discusses differences = only contrasting
- Signal Words:
  - Like
  - Unlike
  - Both
  - Neither
  - Similar
  - Different



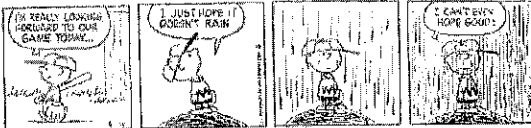
### + Order of Importance

- Ideas or steps are prioritized by the writer or speaker according to a hierarchy of value



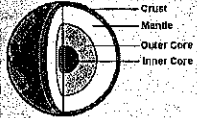
### + Sequence

- When information in a passage is organized by the order in which it occurs
- Generally used for instructions or directions, but it can also be used to explain processes in nature or society
- Example: how a president is elected
- Signal Words: first, next, before, lastly, then



### + Spatial

- When information in a passage is organized in order of space or location
- It may also be called descriptive writing and it is most frequently used when the narrator describes how something looks
- Signal Words: next to, behind, across from, below that, above that, and to the right of



### + Cause and Effect

- Explain reasons why something happened or the effects of something
- when an author gives reasons why something happened, he or she is explaining what caused an effect
- when a writer explains the results of an action, he or she is explaining the effects of a cause

*Result*  
*ble of...*  
*in conclusion...*

