

TEAS Cheat Sheet

READING

Key Ideas and Details

Motives:

- to persuade
- narrate
- explore
- express something

Writing styles:

- informative
- argumentative
- entertaining

Fact vs. opinion

Fact - A statement that can be proven by evidence; universally true for all people.

Eg. Diwali is celebrated on the 12th of November.

Opinion - Expresses an attitude, belief, feeling, or judgment; is neither true nor false.

Eg. Purple is the best color to wear on Diwali.

Craft and Structure

Most common structures:

- sequence
- problem-solution
- compare-contrast
- description

Sequence: a general order of events that build to the main idea.

Compare-contrast: the focus is on similarities/ differences between ideas.

Description: a lot of descriptive structures and a focus on small details.

Integration and Knowledge of Ideas

Questions to ask yourself:

- Is the evidence qualitative?
- ► Is the author's reasoning sound?
- Is the author drawing logical conclusions?
- What is the viewpoint of the author?
- What conclusion can I reach about the topic based on the text?

Critical Thinking Skills:

- inference
- evaluation
- observation
- skepticism
- estimation

- analysis
- explanation
- self-awareness
- reasoning