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Figurative Language

When authors use **figurative language**, they use words and phrases that have meanings beyond the strict dictionary definitions. Authors use figurative language:

- to make their writing interesting.
- to help readers create an image or picture in their minds.

	What It Is	Examples
Sensory Language	Words that tell how something looks, sounds, feels, tastes, or smells	<i>A turtle's stubby tail</i> <i>Scorching hot sand</i>
Simile	Comparing two things using the word <i>like</i> or <i>as</i>	<i>The scared boy stood like a statue.</i> <i>This shell is as smooth as glass.</i>
Metaphor	Comparing two things without using <i>like</i> or <i>as</i>	<i>Our city streets are a maze.</i> <i>The turtle's flipper is a steam shovel.</i>
Sound Device	A sound pattern used to draw readers' attention to or emphasize certain lines in a piece of writing	<i>Two tiny turtles</i>

➤ Answer the questions about page 251 in *On Sea Turtle Patrol*.

1. What simile describes how Callie feels as she runs?

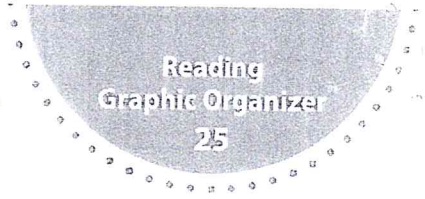
2. What does the simile mean?

3. Which sensory details describe what the first boy on the bike looks like?

➤ Answer the question about paragraph 52 on page 253 in *On Sea Turtle Patrol*.

4. What examples of alliteration are in this paragraph?

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Text and Graphic Features

In nonfiction texts, authors often draw attention to key ideas with **text and graphic features**.

Feature	What It Is	Purpose
Headings	Type that is larger than other text; may be a different color	To show the topic of a section of text
Captions	Text that appears near a photograph or other image	To explain more about an image
Graphs	Images that show connections between amounts	To show amounts in a visual way; to show how an amount relates to a total

➤ Answer the questions about pages 260–263 of *How Can We Reduce Household Waste?*

1. How does the author use headings to organize the story?

2. How does the circle graph on page 260 connect to the text?

➤ Answer the question about the caption on page 261.

3. What information does the caption add to what is shown in the photograph?

➤ Answer the question about the graph on page 274.

4. How does the graph add to your understanding of the text on page 274?

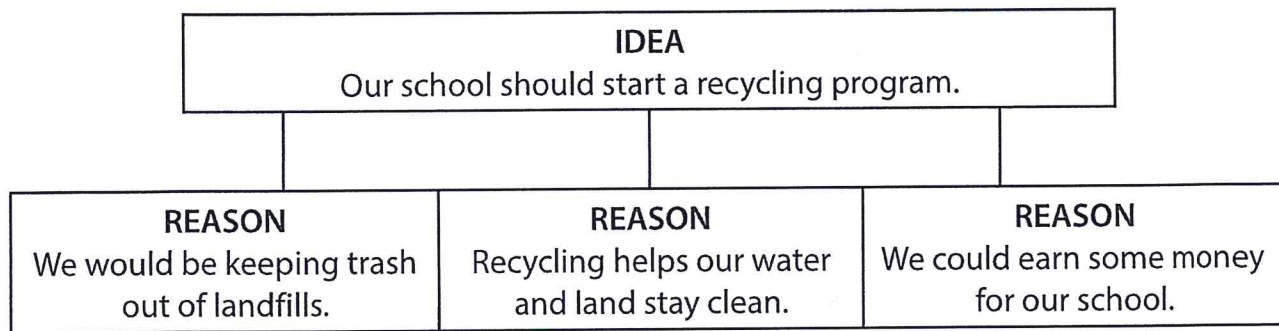
Text and Graphic Features

Page Number	Type of Feature	What does this feature help me understand?

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Ideas and Support

When authors write an argumentative text, they present a **claim**, or idea. They think about who their readers are because they want those readers to believe their claim or to take action. Authors **support**, or back up, their claim with reasons and other evidence that their readers will understand.



Authors provide evidence to show that their reasons make sense. A **fact** is a statement that is true and can be proved. Facts help readers understand why they should agree with a claim.

➤ Answer the questions about paragraphs 24 and 25 of *How Can We Reduce Household Waste?*

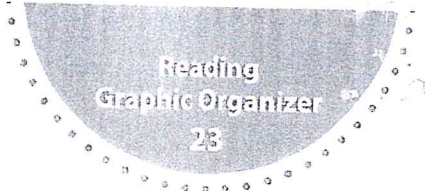
1. What claim does the author make?

2. What facts or examples does the author provide to support this claim?

➤ Think about the text *How Can We Reduce Household Waste?*

3. What audience do you think the author had in mind when writing this text? Why do you think so?

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Ideas and Support/Identify Claim

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Author's Opinion or Claim

Supporting Reason or Evidence

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