Text Structure and Language Features: Example 2

Text Structure - Procedure

Goal or aim

Materials and/or equipment

Steps to accomplish goal

HOW TO USE A CALACULATOR TO FIND THE SQUARE ROOT OF A NUMBER.

Casio 82TL (or similar calculator with algebraic logic)

6. can listen, respond to and outline a procedure

Method:

- 1. Press the ON key.
- 2. Press the √ (key).
- 3. Type the number.
- 4. Press the = (key).
- 5. Read the answer (to the required number of places).

Language Features

Use of nouns, e.g. calculator, square root

Use of commands, e.g. press, type, read

Use of action verbs, e.g. type, press, read

Use of adverbial phrases, e.g. to the required number of places

Use of technical language to build up the field, e.g. square root, logic

Use of numbers to indicate order of events