

Text Structure and Language Features: Example 1

**Text Structure - Response to literary text**

Context - gives background on the text, e.g. author, setting, brief synopsis

Opinion/Reaction - explores the qualities and effectiveness of the text, expressing personal feelings

'AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS'

The title of the novel I read was 'Around the World in 80 Days' and the author was Jules Verne. It was written in the nineteenth century, about 100 years ago. It was about an English explorer named Phileas Fogg who made a bet with some friends that he could travel around the world in 80 days. He took along his servant, a Frenchman named Passepartout, and had many adventures on the way.

One of the most exciting parts of the book was when Phileas Fogg rescued the woman who was going to be burned alive. I admired his courage.

I really liked this book because it was funny and told me about a lot of different countries in the world. Jules Verne made the end of each chapter exciting because you wanted to know what was going to happen next. It had a happy ending too.

Language Features

Use of nouns to name people, places, things, e.g. Phileas Fogg, novel, character, author, novel

Use of complex sentences, e.g. It was about an Englishman named Phileas Fogg who made a bet with some friends that he could travel around the world in 80 days.

Use of adverbial phrases to say when and where events took place, e.g. in 80 days, on the way

Use of past tense to recount events and evaluate text

Use of feeling, saying verbs, e.g. liked, told