Informational Texts

•	Nonfiction writing is	writing about real	
	people, places, events, ideas, and things.		
•	• Informational text is a type of nonfiction writing, written with the		
	purpose of the rea	der about a specific topic.	
•	• The central idea is the most	point or points	
	that the author wants to convey about a topic.		
	o The author develops the central idea with supporting details		
	such as, reas	ons, examples, statistics,	
	and quotations.		
•	The text introduction is a short piece of text that provides the		
	reader the with needed		
	to understand the passage.		
	 It is essential to read the text intro 	duction because it will	
	provide for th	ne rest of the passage- the	
	reader will not be able to understar	nd the passage fully without	
	reading it.		
•	• A reference mark tells the reader that there is a		
	at the bottom of the page.		

READING FOR THE STATE ASSESSMENT: GUIDED NOTES

A footnote is a note at the bottom of a page in a text which	
provides more information about something	
that is mentioned on that page.	
A summary is a version of a text that	
highlights its main points.	
A synonym is a word or phrase that means exactly or nearly the	
as another word or phrase.	
Context clues are that an author gives to	
help define a difficult or unusual word.	
o The clue may appear within the same as	
the word to which it refers, or it may appear somewhere else	
in the	