



## SIGNAL WORDS

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*Problem-Solution Nonfiction Text Structure  
(problem-evidence-solution-results)*



This is a list of some commonly used words authors use to signal Problem-Solution Nonfiction Text Structure. It is the structure that authors use when identifying one or more problems and offering one or more solutions to the problem.

The words in the left column signal the *problem*. The words in the right column signal the *solution*. When you begin looking for these words as you read, you will notice they signal relationships between key concepts or ideas that the author is writing about.

You may want to consider using these words in your own writing or speaking when you want to explain a problem-solution situation.

Problem	Solution
although	one answer
but	one reason
dilemma	puzzle solved
however	solve
problem	solution
puzzle	
question	
yet	