

Graphic organizers help students develop an awareness of the various structures found in informational texts to improve comprehension and recall. Graphic organizers are pictorial arrangements of ideas showing major ideas connected by supporting details through geometric shapes, lines and arrows. Once students have been trained in the use of graphic organizers and have an understanding of text structures, they can create their own as needed.

1. Choose a graphic organizer to use.
2. Read a text or complete a unit of study.
3. Complete the graphic organizer. The type of graphic organizer used will dictate how it is completed.

