### Six Types of Writing Patterns

#### Listing / Classification / Division
- **Verb Cues:** break down, categorize, classify, divide, group, separate
- **Word Cues:** also, and, another, categories, classes, elements, examples, features, furthermore, groups, in addition, moreover, parts, patterns, signs, types, ways
- **Style Cues:** numbered or ordered lists (1, 2, 3; a, b, c) bulleted items

#### Sequence / Time Order / Process
- **Word Cues:** first, second, third; before, during, after, when; now, then, next, finally; steps, phases, stages, series; progression, process, spectrum, continuum
- **Content Cues:** instructions & directions; dates and words that refer to time
- **Style Cues:** numbered or ordered lists (1, 2, 3; a, b, c) first, second, third: these can all signal listings, definitions, or time-order processes. Examine the context!

#### Definition (With Example)
- **Verb Cues:** defined as, described as, is called, is known as, means, refers to / is referred to as
- **Word Cues:** for example, for instance, e.g., in other words, or, that is, i.e.
- **Style Cues:** (words in parentheses) [words in brackets] a definition list following a colon (: comma (,) or dashes (--) words in bold, italics, or color

#### Compare-and-Contrast
- **Comparison / Similarity Cues:** also, both, in the same manner, in the same way, likewise, parallels, resembles, similarly
- **Contrast / Differences Cues:** although, as opposed to, conversely, different, differing, however, in contrast, instead, on the other hand, opposite
- **Opposite words:** such as strengths & weaknesses, advantages & disadvantages

#### Cause-and-Effect
- **Verb Cues:** is / are . . .
- **Word & Phrase Cues:** cause cues affects (verb) because causes explanations reasons since is due to X was caused by X resulted from X leads to X results in effect cues consequently effects (noun) outcome results therefore thus X was due to X was caused by X resulted from leads to X results in X

#### Place / Spatial Order
- **Verb Cues:** facing, located, placed, positioned, situated
- **Preposition Cues:** above, adjacent, below, beside, beneath, close, near, opposite
- **Directional Cues:** north, south, west, east right, left

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### Note:
- **Style Cues:**
  - (words in parentheses)
  - [words in brackets]
  - a definition list following a colon (: comma (,) or dashes (--) words in bold, italics, or color
  - 1, 2, 3; a, b, c; first, second, third: these can all signal listings, definitions, or time-order processes. Examine the context!