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# RECOUNT TEXT BIOGRAPHY



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# I. What Biography is?

The word “BIOGRAPHY” comes from medieval greek

BIOS: LIFE

GRAPHIA: WRITING

BIOGRAPHY is a detailed description or account of a person's life. Biography is life story of a person written by someone else. It is non fiction text. Usually biographies are about historical figures, but sometimes they are also about people still living.

## 2. Characteristics of Biography

- It is not written by the subject.
- It is always written in third person.
- It is based on research, not on imagination
- It describes the person's surroundings (where, when and how the person lived).



- Shows how the person affected other people's lives through their behavior, discoveries, social reform, etc.
- Supplies details that illustrate the person's individuality.
- Use vivid language to narrate events.

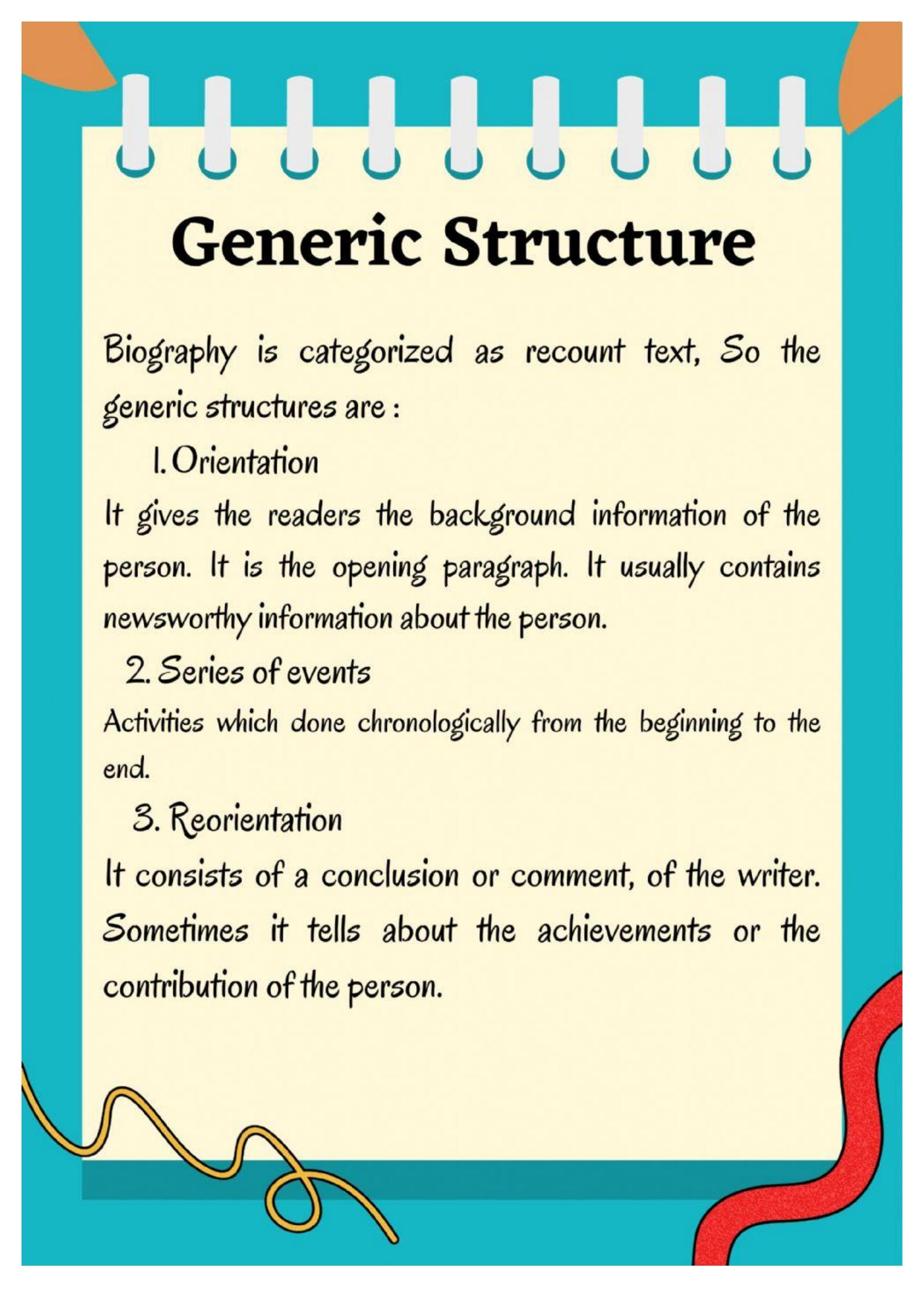
# **TYPES AND FUNCTION BIOGRAPHY**

## **SHORT AND LONG BIOGRAPHY**

- *short biography* Focuses only on highlights of a person's life
- *long biography* Talks about life and times of someone in a lot more detail.

## **THE FUNCTION OF BIOGRAPHY**

- *To know a person's story about his/her life outside of any accomplishments this person may be known for.*
- *To give much information easily and educate the readers.*



# Generic Structure

Biography is categorized as recount text, So the generic structures are :

## 1. Orientation

It gives the readers the background information of the person. It is the opening paragraph. It usually contains newsworthy information about the person.

## 2. Series of events

Activities which done chronologically from the beginning to the end.

## 3. Reorientation

It consists of a conclusion or comment, of the writer. Sometimes it tells about the achievements or the contribution of the person.

# Language Features



Use of simple past tense to express the past activities



Sometime, use other past tenses, such as past perfect tense, past continues, past perfect, etc.



Focus on temporal sequence. it is used to set the events chronologically. e.g : First, Next, then, after that... Finally



Focus on specific participants. biography will refer to someone worklife.



Use of action verbs. it can be V1, V2, and V3

# Joseph Robinette Biden

## The 46th President of USA



### Part I : Listening Section

A. Listen to the video and choose true or false for the statements below!

Statements	True/False
Joe Biden came from wealthy Family	
He stopped to be politician after his wife died in the accident.	
Joe Biden was the fifth Youngest Senator at the age of 29.	
Joe Biden had once unsuccessfully pursued the democratic presidential nomination In 1988.	
Barrack Obama and Joe Biden won the election twice.	



## B. Listen to the video and fill the blank

Joseph Robinette Biden was a famous president-elect of the United States. He (1) ..... on November 20th 1942 in Scranton, Pennsylvania, United States. His father's name was Joseph Biden Sir and his mother's name was Catherine Eugenia Finnegan. Joe Biden is the president-elect of the United States and will become the 46th president when he will assume the charge on (2) ..... 2020. He served as the 47th vice president of the United States from 2009 to 2017 before becoming the vice president he had represented Delaware as a United States senator from 1973 to 2009

Joe Biden (3) ..... in the catholic family and his father was a used car salesman who also cleaned furnaces for extra income. When he was at school, he had exceptional leadership and he was also good at football. He went to the University of Delaware where he (4) ..... history and political science. He continued to study law and graduated in 1968. After his graduation, he moved to Delaware to start his legal career. During the time he also becomes active in Political scenarios as a member of the Democratic Party. He (5) ..... as the Newcastle country council. Biden was one of the fifth-youngest Senators in the US at the age of 29. His wife and children had died in a terrible automobile accident, his two sons were badly injured because of the accident. It was very difficult for Biden, however, he continued his political career and gained the respect of his colleagues.



In 1988 Joe Biden had once unsuccessfully pursued the democratic presidential nomination. Two decades later in 2007, he once again (6).....his candidacy for president; However he did not gain much support and dropped out of the race. The democratic presidential nominee Barrack Obama had cordial relations with Biden and respected him for his years of political experience. He (7).....Biden to be his running mate in 2008 united states presidential election. The Obama-Biden ticket won the election in 2009 Obama was sworn in as the 44th United States president and Biden assumed office as the 47th vice president.

In 2012 the democrats Obama and Biden proved to be very popular among the citizens in their respective positions as the president and vice president and were easily re-elected to a second term. In (8)..... Joe Biden announced his bid for the candidacy of the Democratic presidential nominee for the 2020 election. he beat rivals Kamala Harris and Bernie Sanders to win the democratic party's ticket for the 2020 presidential election. On August 11 2020 Joe Biden (9)..... Kamala Harris as his running mate for the 2020 election. Joe Biden (10)..... Donald trump in a bitterly fought election and will be inaugurated as the 46th president of the United States on January 20th, 2021.

## PART II

# **SPEAKING PRACTICE**

1. CHOOSE ONE FAMOUS PEOPLE THAT YOU KNOW, IT CAN BE AN ARTIST, SCIENTIST, HERO, ETC,
2. FIND THE INFORMATION ABOUT THEM ON THE INTERNET, YOUTUBE, BOOK, ETC.
3. TELL ABOUT THEM BRIEFLY BY SENDING RECORDINGS IN THIS SHEETS, DURATION: 2 MINUTES

