

ENGLISH

PARAGRAPH WRITING

Topic

Structure Of a Paragraph that includes;

- * The definition of a paragraph
- * The parts of paragraph
- * Stages of paragraph writing

What is a Paragraph?

”A paragraph is a group of sentences about a single topic”. Together, the sentences of paragraph explain the writer’s main idea about the topic. In academic writing, a paragraph is often between five and ten sentences long but it can be longer or shorter, depending on the topic.

Parts of paragraph

A paragraph has three basic part;

1. The Topic Sentence
2. The Supporting Sentences
3. The Concluding Sentence

1. The topic sentence

This is the main idea of the paragraph. It is usually the first sentence of the paragraph, and it is the most general sentence of the paragraph.

2. The supporting sentences

These are the sentences that talk about or explain the topic sentence. They are more detailed ideas that follow the topic sentence.

3. The concluding sentence

This may be found as the last sentence of the paragraph. It can finish a paragraph by repeating the main idea or just giving a final comment about the topic.

How to write a paragraph?

Paragraph writing has following four stages;

1. Prewriting
2. Writing
3. Editing
4. Publishing

1. Prewriting The Paragraph

“This is the stage when you think carefully and organize your ideas for your paragraph before you begin writing”.

PREWRITING STEPS

There are six prewriting steps

1. Think carefully about what you are going to write
2. Open your notebook
3. Collect facts related to your paragraph
4. Write down your own ideas
5. Find main idea
6. Organize your facts and ideas in a way that develops your main idea

2. Writing The Paragraph

“The Writing stage is when you turns your ideas into sentences”

There are five steps of writing the paragraph

1. Open your notebook
2. Write topic sentence, supporting sentences and concluding sentence
3. Write clear and simple supporting sentences
4. Focus on main idea of the paragraph
5. Use dictionary to help you find additional words to explain your idea

3. Editing The Paragraph

“The editing stage is when you check your paragraph for mistakes and correct them”.

Grammar and Spellings

1. Check your spellings.
2. Check your grammar
3. Read your paragraph again
4. Make sure that each sentence has a subject
5. See if your subjects and verbs agree with each other
6. Make sure that each sentence make sense

STYLE AND ORGANIZATION

1. Make sure that your paragraph has a topic
2. Make sure that that your supporting sentences focus on main idea
3. Make sure that you have a concluding sentence

Peer Editing

“Showing your work to another student is a very useful way to improve your writing. This is called peer editing”.

You read your partner’s writing and your partner read yours. You comment on your partner's reading your partner comments on yours. You might talk together, write comments on a sheet that your instructor gives you or write directly on your partner’s paper.

4. Publishing Of The Paragraph

“The publishing stage is when you produce a final copy of your paragraph to hand in”.

There are three steps of publishing

1. Make a paper copy of your paragraph
2. Show your work to your teacher, tutor or parents
3. Ask them for hints and suggestions to improve your writing.

THANK YOU

ANY QUESTION???