

Advanced Level No.4

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Paragraph and Short Essay Worksheet for Speaking

Paragraphs are groups of sentences that have a single idea. A paragraph typically includes:

Structure of a paragraph

- Topic Sentence:
- , Write a sentence that states the main idea or topic of a paragraph.
- Supporting Sentences:
- Concluding Sentence:
- → Write facts or descriptions that relate to the topic.

 → Powerd(phrase) the introduction to sum up the idea
- → Re-word(phrase) the introduction to sum up the ideas in the paragraph and bring it to a close.
- A topic sentence is the most important sentence in a paragraph.

Topic Sentence = 'The topic' + 'The controlling idea'

Examples: 1. There are approximately 15 different species of hedgehogs.

(a controlling idea) (a topic)

- 2. Camels have amazing survival skills built into their bodies.

 (a topic) (a controlling idea)
- **Supporting sentences** after a topic sentence have to give more information about the Controlling idea, 'amazing survival skills'.

Topic Sentence = Topic + Controlling idea

Example

These organs have a giant role to play too. They are part of your digestive system. That means they break down the food you eat. Digestion begins in the mouth when you chew and swallow. From there, your food travels through the esophagus (ee-saw-fuh-gus), which connects the bottom of your throat to your stomach. Your stomach mixes up food with liquids and then dumps it all into the small intestine. So your body can absorb all the vitamins, minerals, proteins, carbohydrates, and fats.

Supporting Sentences

controlled by the controlling idea 'giant role to play'

Concluding Sentence

Characteristics of Effective Concluding Sentence

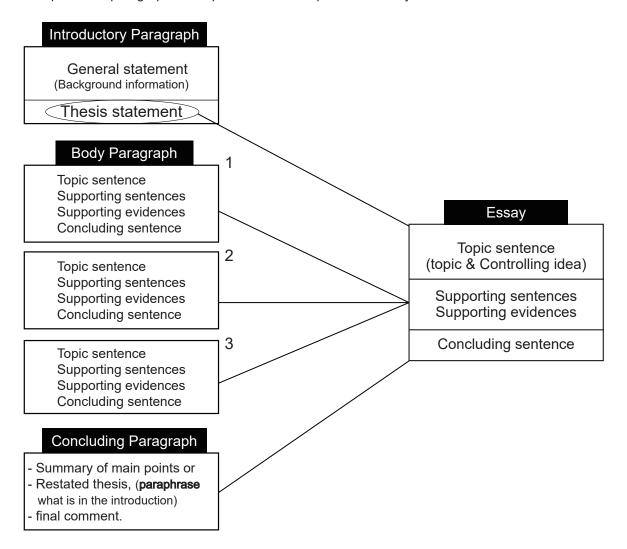
It is important for you to know how to write effective concluding sentence. Some characteristics include:

- Reviewing main points mentioned in a paragraph
- Restating(paraphrasing or reword) the topic sentence
- Do not introduce new ideas or topics



Academic Essay Structure Worksheet for Speaking

In well-written paragraphs or essays, students present information in a logical order. Notice how the three parts of a paragraph correspond to the three part of an essay.



In an essay introduction, the writier stimulates the reader's interest gives general or background information about the topic. Then the writer presents a **thesis statement**, usually at the end of the introductory paragraph. Like the topic sentence of a paragraph, the thesis statement of an essay names the specific topic and writer's **controlling idea** about it. Each pararaph of the body developes a subdivision of the topic. The **conclusion**, like concluding sentence(s) in a paragraph, can restate the topic and controlling idea, summarize or review the main points discussed in the body, and/or present a writer's final statement about the topic.

An essay has **coherence**(logical organization) and **unity**(a focus on one topic), just as a paragraph does. Transition signals link the paragraph into a cohesive whole.

Paragraph Worksheet for Speaking Tips

Instruction: For the teacher

Time: Only 1 minute for each student

- 1. A teacher should ask each student to give a 1 minute speech on the topic below.
 - (Maximum is strictly limited to 1 minute)
- 2. Evaluate their presentation skills and give advice to improve their oral skills.
- 3. Students will be assessed on how well they speak in a formal situation to the public.

TOPIC:

Why do you think some people are attracted to dangerous sports or other dangerous activities? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer. (120 words)

Tips

- 1. List of extreme sports
- 2. Example or experience of own and the feeling you felt
- 3. Extreme sports can cause of death or critical injury
- 4. ...makes the extreme sports dangerous.
- 5. People attract to extreme sports since...
- 6. Overall S + V
- 7. Another reason S + V
- 8. I consider that S + V
- 9. As I known to all S + V
- 10. Hence S + V

REMEMBER:

Prepare a 7-10 sentence for a paragraph to give a speech, including 1. a topic sentence; 2. supporting sentences; 3. a concluding sentence.

- * A paragraph is a group of sentences telling about a single idea or topic.
- * The topic sentence in English should get the paragraph started.
- * The topic sentence contains a topic and a controlling idea.

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Topic Sentence							
Supporting Sentences							
Concluding Sentences							
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Stay on Topic							
Attention grabbing opening							
Topic Sentence							
Controlling Idea							
Provided examples or reasons							
Fluency/Speed							
Vocabulary							
Spoke out Loud (Said Your Words Clearly)							
Eye Contact							
Pronunciation							
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