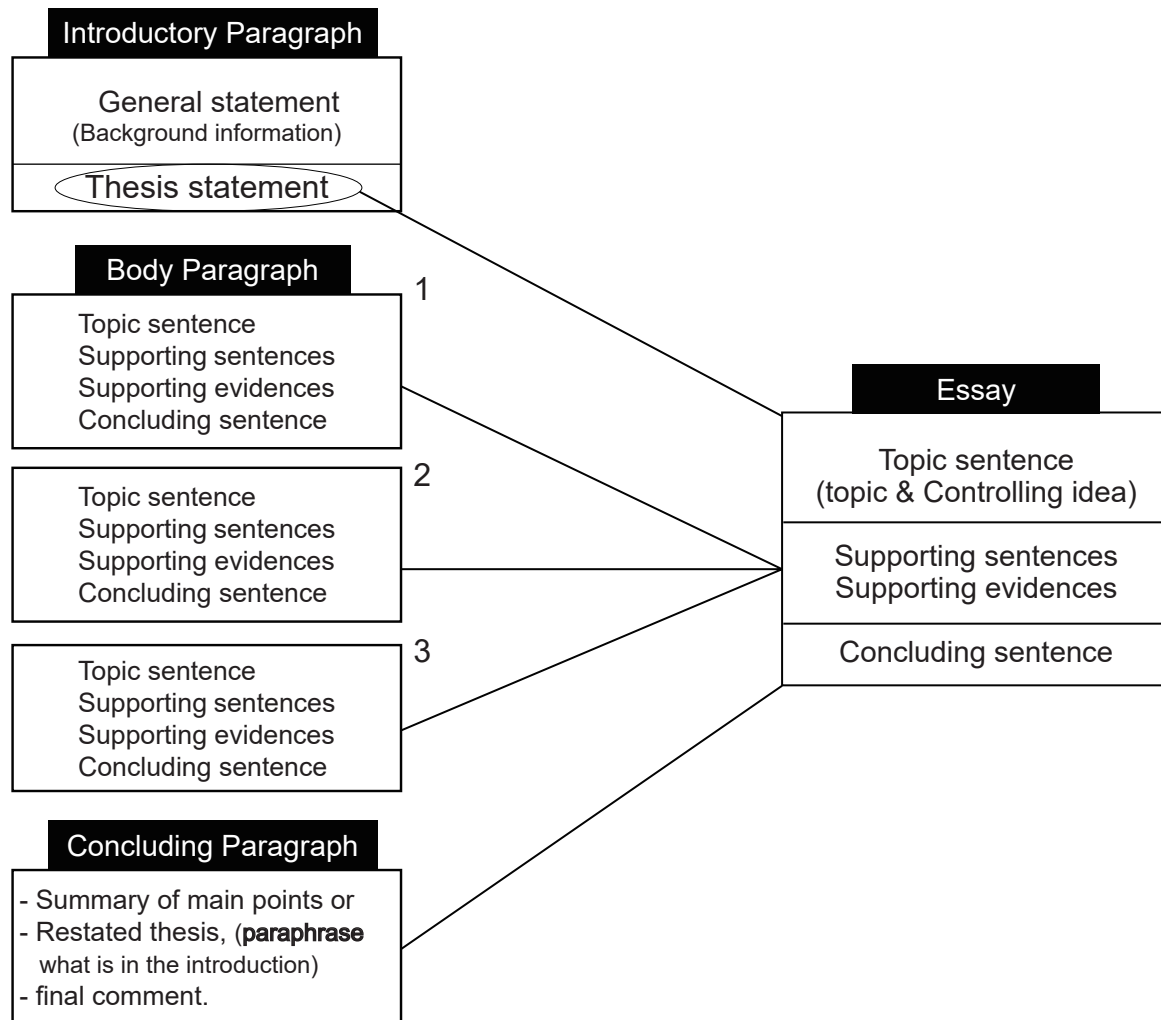




## Academic Essay Structure Worksheet for Speaking

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 writer 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 paragraph of the body develops 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.

# Lesson 1

## 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.

# Lesson 1

Enhance Speaking Skills

**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.

Topic

Sentence

Supporting

Sentences

Concluding

Sentences

## Writing & Speaking Report

Teacher's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Please make a  $\sqrt{\quad}$  if a student achieves this.

Marking Section	0%	40%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
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							
Teacher's Comment							