

ENG 1P

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...WRITING PARAGRAPHS...

A paragraph is a collection of at least five sentences that focuses on **one topic**. A paragraph is a very organized piece of writing.

Paragraphs include the following parts:

1. Introduction:

This is the first sentence and tells what the paragraph will be about.

2. Body Sentences/Support:

These sentences – usually at least three of them – explain what your topic is about. You might do things like explain your topic, give an example, give facts, provide a quote or anything else that backs up what you are saying.

3. Conclusion:

This last sentence wraps up your topic and may also connect your paragraph to a new one.

Paragraphs also follow these rules:

→ Only one topic is the focus of each paragraph. If you have a new topic, start a new paragraph

→ Paragraphs begin with an INDENT. This is a space before the first sentence. (Hit the 'tab' key when typing)

→ Paragraphs need to have at least two-three supporting sentences so the topic is clear for the reader.

Example:

It's hard to be a teenager. We have to deal with our friends, our family and ourselves. We are still treated like kids by most people in our lives even though we know right from wrong. We also suddenly have responsibilities to deal with. Yeah, being a teenager sure isn't easy.