

EDDN515 STRENGHTENING YOUR READING AND WRITING SKILLS

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Expository Essays

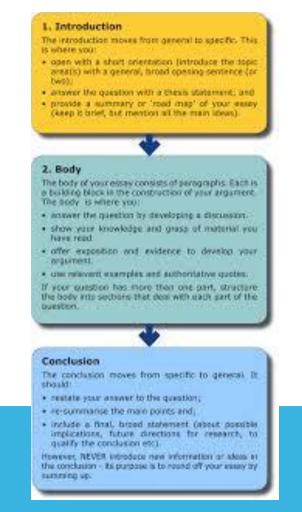
Provide facts

Give directions

Explain ideas

Define words

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When writing a three-paragraph essay focus on:

Making the meaning CLEAR

Making the meaning UNDERSTANDABLE

Presenting the meaning in a LOGICAL way



WRITING TOPIC:



"Reasons why the Grand Canyon is a popular park"*

THREE MAIN POINTS:

History

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2. Location

3. Uniqueness

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First Paragraph: Introduction



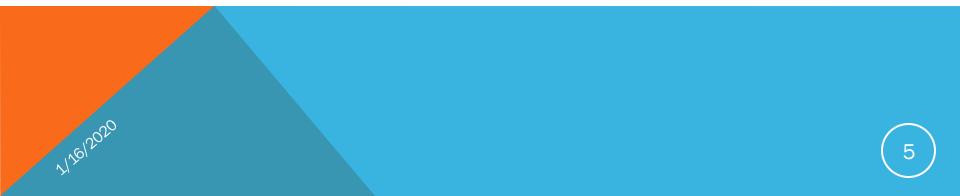
Sentence 1: Topic Sentence

Also known as "thesis statement": a single sentence that states topic and point-of-view

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Broadly indicates the argument of the paragraph

Try to put it at the beginning of the paragraph



First Paragraph: Introduction

Sentence 1: Topic Sentence



Example:

Grand Canyon National Park is one of America's most popular national parks for several reasons.



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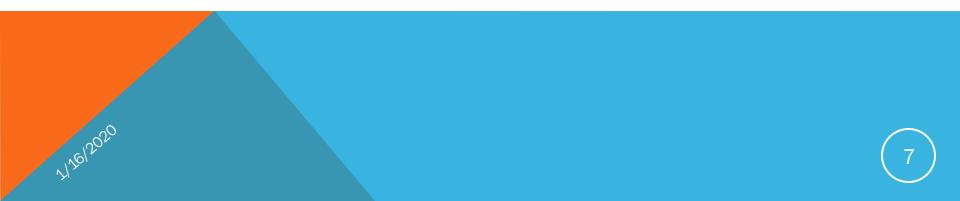
Sentence 2: Extra Information about the topic sentence



Example:

Because the Grand Canyon is one of nature's most awesome sights, it is visited by thousands of tourists every year.

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First Paragraph: Introduction

Sentence 3: Order sentence List points you will make in order of presentation.



Example:

Three reasons for its popularity are its history, location and uniqueness.

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Second Paragraph: Body

Sentence 4: First Point



Example:

One reason for the Grand Canyon's popularity is its long and colorful history as a national treasure.

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Second Paragraph: Body



Sentence 5: Supporting Sentences Write one or two sentences that support first point.

Example:

There are many good stories about its exploration by the noted adventurer John Wesley Powell and his fellow travelers.



Second Paragraph: Body

Sentence 6: Second Point



Example:

The Grand Canyon is also popular for its location.



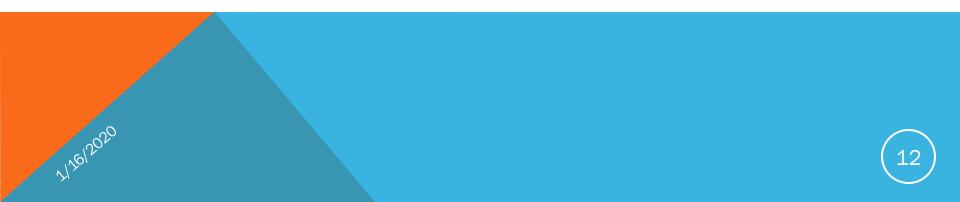
Second Paragraph: Body



Sentence 7: Supporting Sentences Write one or two sentences that support the second point.

Example:

The Grand Canyon is located in northern Arizona, a very interesting and beautiful tourist attraction in the United States.



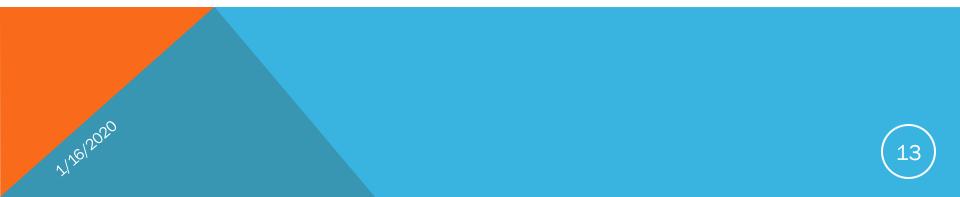
Second Paragraph: Body

Sentence 8: Third Point



Example:

Uniqueness is another reason for the Grand Canyon's popularity and fame.



Second Paragraph: Body



Sentence 9: Supporting Sentences Write one or two sentences that support the third point.

Example:

The spectacular view of the Colorado River a mile below the rim, the canyon's enormous size, and its beautiful forms and colors of rocks are breathtaking sights.



Third Paragraph: Conclusion \P \P



Sentence 10: Concluding General Sentence Rewrite the topic sentence only saying it differently.

Hint: It's a good idea to start with "In conclusion," Example:

In conclusion, the Grand Canyon is a popular place for many reasons.



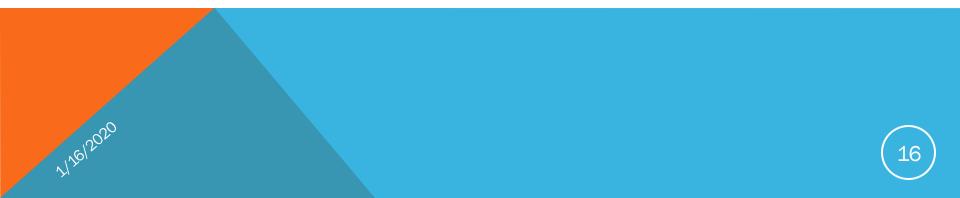
Third Paragraph: Conclusion \P



Sentence 11: Concluding Summary Sentence Reword the transition sentence from paragraph1 to paragraph 2.

Example:

The park's history, location and uniqueness make it one of the most magnificent canyon's in the entire world.



After writing your conclusion:

Review what you have written...



- reread essay to make sure it follows in logical sequence
- >make sure you support your claim with evidence
- > be sure sentence flow is smooth

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- \succ add transitional phrases to connect thoughts or ideas
- > check for grammar, punctuation, capitalization and spelling errors





