

English 9

Study Guide for the Paragraphs Quiz

Be prepared to write a describe-explain-connect/reflect paper without notes or handouts that describes what paragraphs are, explains how to write a paragraph, why paragraphs matter and make it easier to write and read papers, and how you use paragraphs in your own writing (why they matter to you).

For this quiz, you should know the following information by memory...

1. A paragraph should focus on only one topic. Focus = ONE.

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- a. One thesis per paper.
 - b. One topic per paragraph.
 - c. One supporting detail per sentence.
2. Each paragraph can have all five of the Five Fs in it.
 - a. Focus = The topic sentence tells the reader what the focus is.
 - b. Form = Indentation, order of sentences, topic sentence, filler sentences, conclusion sentence
 - c. Filler = The stuff that fleshes out the main point (all the filler must relate directly to the topic sentence)
 - d. Flow = How the paragraph fits together and how it connects to what was before and what will follow it (the other paragraphs in the paper)
 - e. Feeling = Only put into you paragraph what make sense and matters to you (the author)
 3. Essays, research papers, and other texts are structured into:
 - a. Book or article
 - b. Chapter (optional)
 - c. Section (optional)
 - d. Subsection (optional)
 - e. Paragraph
 - i. Topic sentence
 - ii. Filler sentences
 - iii. Conclusion sentence