

# Can You Write a Paragraph?



# What is a Paragraph?

A **group** of sentences sharing ideas about **one subject**.

Discussion: What types of subjects could you write about in a paragraph?

# Let's ALL WRITE!

My hometown is famous for several amazing natural features. First, it is noted for the Wheaton River, which is very wide and beautiful. Also, on the other side of the town is Wheaton Hill, which is unusual because it is very steep. The third amazing feature is the Big Old Tree. This tree stands two hundred feet tall and is probably about six hundred years old. These three landmarks are truly amazing and make my hometown a famous place.

# A Closer Look at the Parts



# The Topic Sentence

- Tells what a paragraph is going to be about

Formula: An interesting subject  
+ your feeling about it  
= a good topic sentence

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# The Body

Gives readers all of the information they need to understand the topic.

You need to:

1. Use a lot of details to make your paragraph interesting.
2. Organize your paragraph in the **best** possible order.

# The Closing Sentence

Reminds readers about the paragraph topic.



# Types of Paragraphs

**Descriptive**-give a clear detailed picture of a person, place, thing, or event

**Narrative**-share a memorable event or important experience

**Expository**-gives information

**Persuasive**-gives your opinion about a subject



# The Process

**Pre-write:** Brainstorm and Plan

**Draft-**Get your thoughts on the paper.

**Share and Respond-**Get someone else to read your writing and give you feedback

**Revise-**Improve your writing by adding to the content

**Edit-**Check for errors in conventions

**Publish/Evaluate-**Write in blue or black ink or type, all errors should be corrected at this point.