

## Steps to Writing a Proper Paragraph

1. Know the format
2. Brainstorm
3. Organize your ideas (outline)
4. Compose
5. Review and correct

### *Know the format:*

Make sure to know the proper paragraph format before you begin. You must include a general introduction about your subject, the body of your paragraphs in which you present your points, and a concluding sentence about your subject.

### *Brainstorm:*

Put all your ideas on paper so that you can organize your ideas.

### *Organize your ideas:*

Once you've put all your ideas on paper, group them up into categories. Then you can come up with the points you want to mention in the body of your text.

### *Compose:*

Everyone must eat food in order to survive. In many cases, however, people are making the wrong choices. Certain types of junk food such as fast food, desserts, and late night snacks are delicious and easy to prepare. In addition, these unhealthy foods cost less, which is an attractive benefit for shoppers. On the other hand, these fattening foods are high in empty calories and are linked to many diseases like diabetes and clogged arteries. Although these greasy munchies can be comforting, they can also lead to serious health consequences. In conclusion, even though junk food can be addicting, it's important to make smart choices and to eat healthy.

### *Review and correct:*

Once you've written your paragraph, take the time to review your work to check for spelling, grammar, and sentence structure mistakes. Another helpful trick: Read your text out loud. You'll catch more mistakes that way!

## Proper Paragraph Format

1. General introductory sentence (1)
2. Body of your paragraph (evidence) (5-7)
3. Concluding sentence (1-2)

### Watching Volleyball (*Brainstorm*)

~~Les beau gars~~

Support our school

School spirit

~~Silence talkers~~

~~Study the game/boys~~

~~Get out of class~~

~~Need to move~~

Fun

Socializing

Thesis: We should go watch the volleyball game.

1. We want to go support the school (school spirit).
2. We want to have fun.

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It's the beginning of October and the sport seasons are upon us. In the case of the ESCSM senior volleyball team, their first tournament is taking place on October 4<sup>th</sup>.<sup>1</sup> If possible, all classes should go to watch the games. <sup>1</sup>First of all, it is important to support school teams and to show school spirit. The athletes enjoy playing in front of a loud, home crowd. <sup>2</sup>Second of all, school sporting events are always fun. As the students get to socialize and meet new people, they also get to watch an exciting game. Finally, school means a lot of things for a lot of people. It's important, whatever you do, to get involved.