

Paragraph Writing

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Structure and Types

What is a Paragraph?

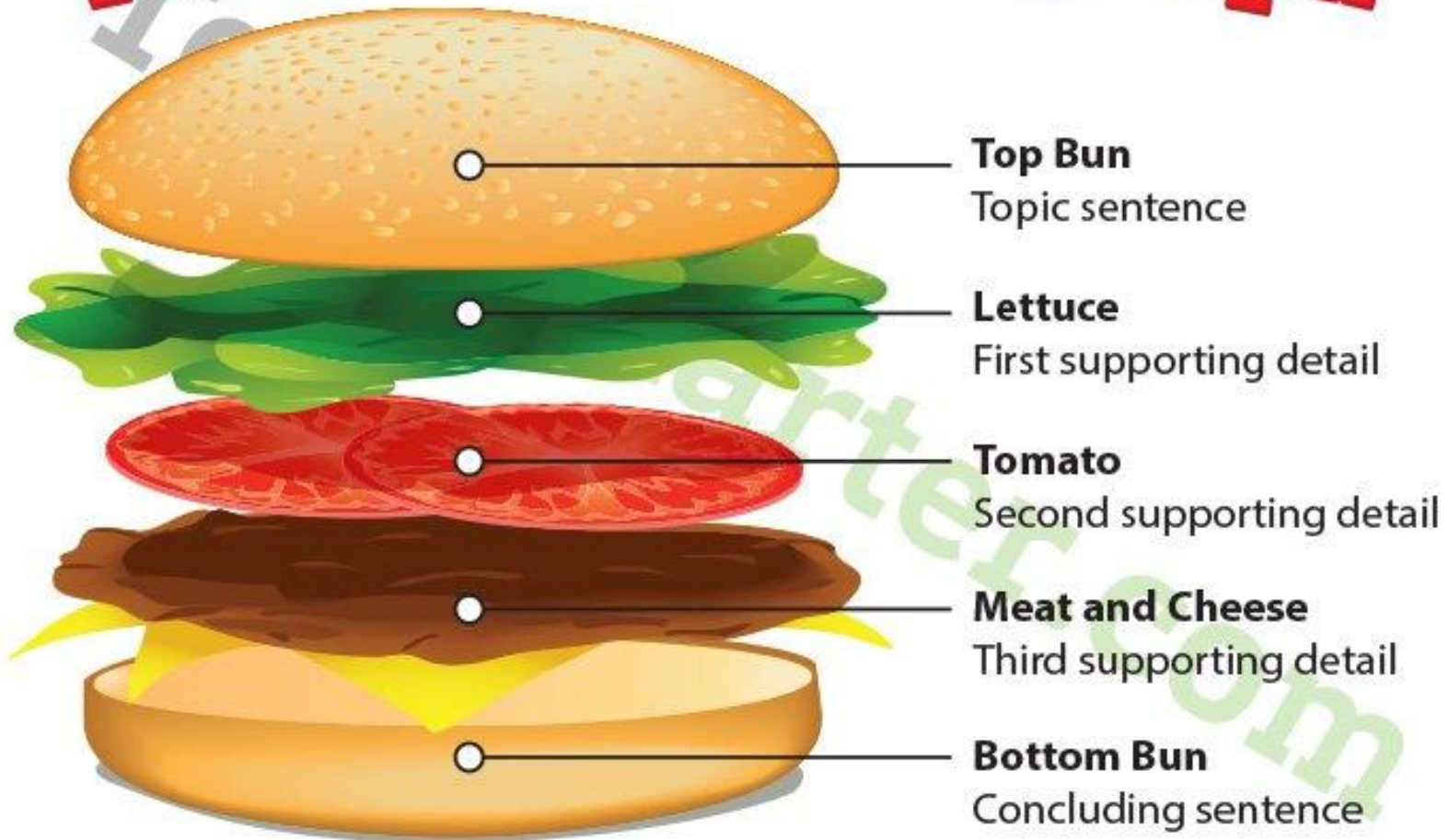
- A distinct section of a piece of writing, usually dealing with a single theme and indicated by a new line, indentation, or numbering.
- A **paragraph** is a group of words put together to form a group that is usually longer than a sentence. **Paragraphs** are often made up of several sentences. There are usually between three and eight sentences. In organized forms of writing, such as essays, **paragraphs** contain a topic sentence .

What is a Paragraph

A paragraph is a group of **closely related** sentences **(5-10 Sentences)** that develop a **central idea**.



Parts of a Paragraph



Parts of a Paragraph (Structure)

- **Topic Sentence:** The **main single idea**, and usually the **first sentence** which is the most general sentence of the paragraph. The topic sentence should **neither** be too narrow **nor** too broad.
- Statement of **Opinion/Intent**
- **Not a FACT**



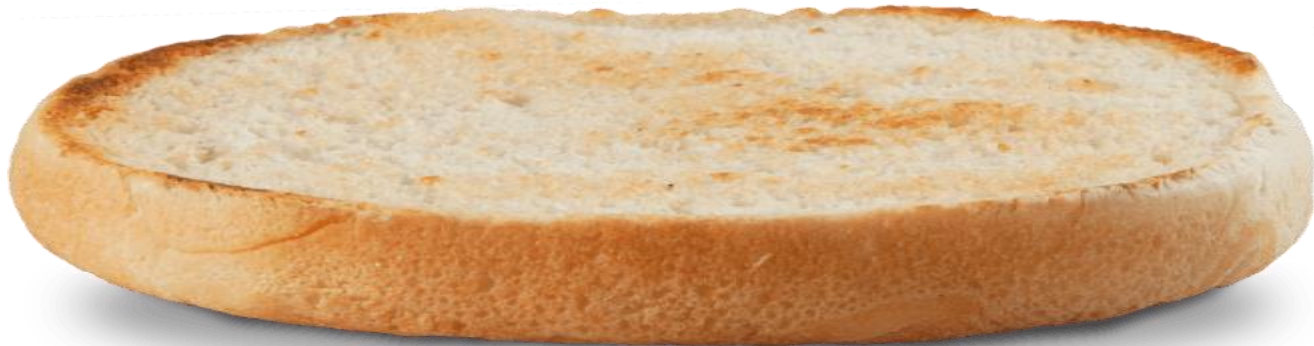
Parts of a Paragraph (Structure)

- **Supporting Sentences:** The sentences which follow the topic sentence to support what is stated.
- **DEDE:** details, examples, data, and explanation
- **Logical Order**



Parts of a Paragraph (Structure)

- **Concluding Sentence/s:** The last sentence of the paragraph.
- **Restating, Summarising, Suggestion or Prediction.**



Types of Paragraph

- **Narrative:** **Tell** a story *or* a sequence of Events
- **Descriptive:** **Describe** a scene *or* an object
- **Process:** **Steps** of how something is done
- **Expository:** **Explain** *and* provide information on facts, instructions, and definitions

Types of Paragraph

- **Persuasive**: **Share Opinions** *and* **Convince** others to agree or take actions
- **Comparison/Contrast**: **Similarity** and **Differences**
- **Problem Solving**: **Problems** and **Solution.**

Unity, Cohesion and Coherence

Unity: One paragraph is about **ONE IDEA** (**Topic**, Supporting, and Concluding sentence).

Cohesion: All supporting sentences **connect** to each other and to the topic sentence (*connectors*)

Coherence: Clearly and smoothly **arrange ideas** according to the logical order/chronology.

Name _____



PARAGRAPH PLANNER

Topic _____

Topic Sentence/Main idea _____

Detail _____

Detail _____

Detail _____

Concluding Sentence _____

QUESTIONS ?

