

Worksheet One

This worksheet accompanies *Paragraphs Unit Two*.

Using examples to develop paragraphs

You can develop paragraphs by using examples to support your ideas. Write two or three sentences to follow on from the topic sentence below.

Another reason why I don't like the school dress code is that it is impractical. For example, _____

Now expand the topic sentence below into a full paragraph. Include a detailed example after writing the opening sentence. Vary your sentence lengths.

Another moment of embarrassment is when you say something rude about somebody only to turn around and find that they have heard you.

For example, _____



Worksheet Two

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Using examples

Read the paragraph below and then answer the questions. It is taken from an essay debating whether students should be allowed to eat candy in the classroom. The writer is in favor.

Provided that students do not abuse the situation, there would not be any inconvenience caused to teachers. An agreement could be made so that the whole class would be responsible for cleaning up any wrappers. Furthermore, an agreement could be made so that candy would not be passed or opened when someone was speaking.

Q. Was the main point of the paragraph A, B, or C?

- A) No wrappers would be left behind.
- B) Students would agree to follow a code of conduct.
- C) Students would not open candy when somebody was talking.

Answer _____

Q. Does the rest of the paragraph do A, B or C?

- A) Puts across the other side of the argument.
- B) Contrasts both sides of the argument.
- C) Gives examples of what has been stated in the topic sentence.

Answer _____



Worksheet Three

This worksheet accompanies *Paragraphs Unit Two*.

Grouping sentences chronologically

Complete the chronological paragraph below which describes William's first day. Write in the appropriate sentence from the choices underneath the paragraph.

Andrea's pregnancy was difficult – she was in labor for 36 hours in total! _____

The baby was beautiful, and he looked very much like his father.

She held William for a while but then he had to be bathed and weighed. _____

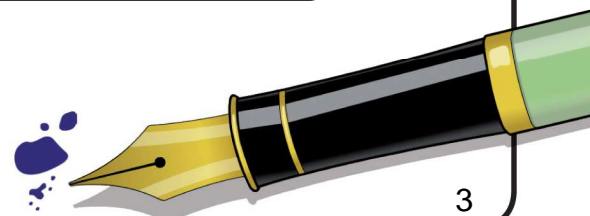
Afterwards, Andrea fed William because he was very hungry.

Once fed, William slept in a cot next to Andrea.

Eventually, she gave birth to a baby boy.

The nurse washed and weighed William.

Andrea named him William after his dad.

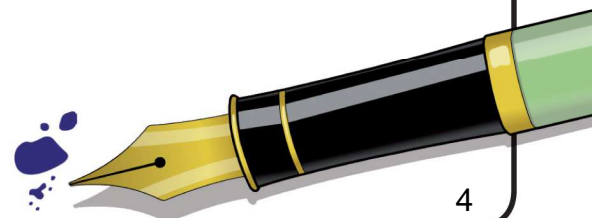


Worksheet Three (continued)

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Grouping sentences chronologically

Write two chronological paragraphs describing your day so far.



Worksheet Four

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Sequential paragraphs

Read the paragraphs below and underline the connectives in a colored pen. What is the purpose of each connective? There are five to find.

Many doctors and scientists have studied the effects of smoking on the human body. Their results show that people who smoke, or inhale secondhand smoke, have a much higher risk of developing many diseases. For example, smoking can cause some cancers, emphysema and angina.

Also, the risk of contracting one of the diseases mentioned is directly proportional to the length of time and amount that a person has smoked. Therefore, people should not delay quitting the habit.

People who inhale secondary smoke are at risk of developing the same diseases as smokers. This is why smoking has been banned in many public places and will be banned in many more in the future.

Because of the health risks associated with smoking, cigarettes keep getting more expensive to try to deter people. However, many people will continue to smoke despite the enormous risks and huge expense.

