



Paragraph Writing

Learning Outcomes

- Students will understand the structure of a paragraph.
- They will write coherent and cohesive paragraphs.
- They will practice using linking words for flow and clarity.

What is a Paragraph

A **paragraph** is a short piece of writing that consists of a number of sentences written on one topic or one idea. These sentences are arranged in a systematic manner. A paragraph is a short composition complete in itself.

Features of a Good Paragraph

- **Unity** : A paragraph should deal with only one thought or idea so that readers get an idea of the theme right at the beginning of the paragraph.
- **Connectivity** : The sentences in a paragraph should be well-connected.
- **Few Ideas** : A paragraph may include a few ideas related to the central theme.
- **Conclusion** : The last sentence should be impressive. It should be written in such a manner that it brings a proper sense of conclusion and closes the paragraph.

Specimen Paragraph

Value of Discipline

Discipline is the law of nature. It is in man's best interests to observe discipline in all walks of life. Discipline is the backbone of our character. Without discipline, nothing great can be achieved in life. A man who does not observe discipline in life is likely to suffer. He becomes lethargic and arrogant. He is disliked by all. A student who does not obey his teachers and does not do his homework does not get success. An employee who does not work sincerely in office may lose his job any time. If sportsmen do not observe discipline they cannot hope to win any match. In the army, discipline is of utmost importance. Discipline leads to harmony whereas indiscipline leads to confusion. No life is worth living without discipline. A disciplined person is an asset to himself, to his family, to his society, to the nation and to the mankind. Discipline works everywhere. It controls our physical movements and our morals. There is no sphere in heaven and the Earth where discipline does not hold the key to a fulfilling and meaningful life.

Write a paragraph on each of the following topics.

1. Trees—Our Friends
2. The Importance of Games and Sports in Our Life

