

kept and others were donated. Similar organization occurred in the living and dining areas. All items were pulled out of the rooms and then sorted into keep, donate, and discard. The furniture in the living room was rearranged to provide more space, and a specific area was set aside for a play area. Toys were sorted and stored in large baskets to provide easy access and easy cleanup. DVDs and books were organized and put into a new bookcase. One of the tables from the living room was repurposed into a desk in the dining room. On this desk, several baskets were placed to help the owner organize mail and keep track of bills. The bathroom went through a similar process as all items were removed; only necessary items like spare rolls of toilet paper and a couple of extra hand towels were put back. Afterward, the team demonstrated how the owners could work to maintain the new sense of calm on the main level and create the same sense of calm on the upper levels.

Topic sentence: In order to instill a sense of calm inside the main floor of the Smith home, the team from Organize It! reorganized, discarded, and repurposed items within the home.

A. Before the reorganization

1. The Kitchen, several cupboard contained food items and dishes
2. The living room, toys, DVDs, books all over the floor
3. The dining room, all surface covered with toys, project, outdated mail
4. The bathroom, overfilled with towels, soap product, toilet paper

B. After the reorganization

1. The kitchen, cupboard were organized by purpose
2. The living room, toys were sorted in large baskets, and the other in a new bookcase
3. The dining room, several baskets were placed to organize mail and bills
4. The bathroom, only necessary items like toilet paper and extra hand towels were put back

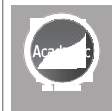
Complete the following statement: Paragraph 1 uses the _____ method of development.

2.

Good and Bad Horror Movies

A good horror movie is easily distinguishable from a bad one. A good horror movie, first of all, has both male and female victims. Both sexes suffer terrible fates at the hands of monsters and

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maniacs. Therefore, everyone in the audience has a chance to identify with the victim. Bad horror movies, on the other hand, tend to concentrate on women, especially half-dressed ones. These movies are obviously prejudiced against half the human race. Second, a good horror movie inspires compassion for its characters. For example, the audience will feel sympathy for the victims in the horror classics about the Wolfman, played by Lon Chaney, Jr., and also for the Wolfman himself, who is shown to be a sad victim of fate. In contrast, a bad horror movie encourages feelings of aggression and violence in viewers. For instance, in the *Halloween* films, the murders are seen from the murderer's point of view. The effect is that the audience stalks the victims along with the killer and feels the same thrill he does. Finally, every good horror movie has a sense of humor. In *Alien*, as a crew member is coughing and choking just before the horrible thing bursts out of his chest, a colleague chides him, "The food ain't *that* bad, man." Humor provides relief from the horror and makes the characters more human. A bad horror movie, though, is humorless and boring. One murder is piled on top of another, and the characters are just cardboard figures. Bad horror movies may provide cheap thrills, but the good ones touch our emotions and live forever.

Topic sentence: A good horror movie is easily distinguished from a bad one.

A. Kinds of victims

1. a good horror movie has both gender victims_____
2. a bad horror movie just focus on one gender victim and that's just monoton_____

B. Effect on audience

1. a good horror movie the audience will feel the emotion if it is really good
2. a bad horror movie the audience will feel nothing from the movie

C. Tone

1. a good horror movie must emotional
2. a bad horror movie is not scary at all

Complete the following statement: Paragraph 2 uses the _____ method of development.

Additional Paragraph to Consider

Read this additional paragraph of comparison and/or contrast and then answer the questions that follow.



My Broken Dream

¹When I finally became a broadcast journalist, the job was not as I had dreamed it would be. ²I began to dream about becoming a news anchor on a show like *The Today Show* when I was about ten. ³I could picture myself in fabulous outfits and perfectly styled hair. ⁴I could also picture myself delivering breaking news and changing people's lives. ⁵But most of all, I dreamed of being on TV and being adored by my millions of fans. ⁶My favorite news anchor is Savannah Guthrie. ⁷I knew everyone would be proud and envious of me. ⁸I could almost hear my classmates saying, "Courtney sure made it big. ⁹Did you hear she is a news anchor on *The Today Show*?" ¹⁰I dreamed of leading an exciting life, jetsetting around the country, and meeting lots of people. ¹¹I knew that if I made it on TV, everyone in town would be impressed. ¹²However, when I actually did get started in broadcast journalism, I soon found out the reality was different. ¹³First off, most new young journalists don't start out in big markets like New York or Los Angeles. ¹⁴Instead, I got my first job in Joplin, Missouri, a very small market. ¹⁵My disappointment continued when I was not offered a news anchor position but instead was given a part-time social media manager position. ¹⁶Not only was I working part-time, but my hours were weekend evenings. ¹⁷Disappointment seemed to continue. ¹⁸I soon found out that I was not the envy of all my friends. ¹⁹My job was not as exciting as I had dreamed it would be, either. ²⁰Instead of breaking stories to the public on camera, I found that I spent a great deal of time alone, in a quiet office, writing and posting information to help promote the careers of the news anchors.

About Unity

1. Which sentence in "My Broken Dream" should be eliminated in the interest of paragraph unity? (*Write the sentence number here.*)
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About Support

2. After which sentence are supporting details needed? topic sentence

About Coherence

3. What method of development (one side at a time or point by point) is used in "My Broken Dream"? one side at a time

QUESTIONS

Developing a Comparison and/or Contrast Paragraph

Development through Prewriting

Sophia, the author of "My Senior Prom," had little trouble thinking of a topic for her comparison or contrast paragraph.