

SIXTH SESSION

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writing

"Paragraph Structure".

- Of course, every good paragraph has to have unity and coherence, but it must also have structure.

- an interesting beginning ... called **an introduction**.

- a middle with specific details ... called **the body**.

- a satisfying ending ... called **the conclusion**.

- If you write a paragraph that contains these three sections you have written a paragraph with good structure.

- Now write a more complete definition of paragraph in your notebook.

**A. The introduction.**

- The introduction (one or two sentences) mentions the topic or main idea. In other words, the writer will tell the reader.



- What he/she is about to be told.
- German Shepherds are good pets.

The introduction, sometimes called the topic sentence, must also catch the reader's attention so that he/she will ~~want~~ want to finish reading the whole thing.

⇒ German Shepherd dogs make an ideal family pet.  
If you are looking for a family pet: Consider a German Shepherd dog.

**Topic:** German Shepherd.

**Main idea:** They are good pets.

### **B. The Body:**

The middle sentence of the paragraph are called **the body**. This is the part of the paragraph that develops and supports main ideas.

- What he/she really wants to tell.

- The body presents supports (convincing reasons) for writer's opinion.



⇒ First German Shepherds are intelligent.  
In addition, they are dedicated to their owners.  
Finally, they are usually suspicious of all strangers.

- The body of this Paragraph contains three reasons to support the writer's opinion that German Shepherds make good Pets.

- The body of the Paragraph has unity because each sentence deals with the topic.

- If you identified First, in addition, and finally, you have found the three transition in this Paragraph.

- First ... Second ... Third (adv)

- Firstly ... Secondly ... Thirdly (adv)

- Another reason ... A final reason.

- Most importantly.

× When all ideas on that subject are linked to each other, the Paragraph has Coherence.

- The Paragraph on German Shepherd has unity and coherence.



## Example on Paragraph

First, I have never met a German Shepherd whose intelligence wasn't above average. They can learn how to turn door knobs, follow a trail, or identify illegal substance. In addition, German Shepherds are dedicated to their owners. My dog Max waits patiently at the end of the driveway every night until I come home. Not even a juicy bone will tempt him to move. Finally, he is usually suspicious of all strangers, so he barks or growls when anything or anyone unknown is near his family.

- Now the body is longer than the minimum three sentences, but it is much more convincing.

## C. The Conclusion.

- The last part in the paragraph is the conclusion.

- what he/she has just been told.

Here is possible conclusion for the paragraph

- German Shepherd dogs make a great addition to any family.