# **IELTS BUD ONLINE**

## Writing

## READING: FOUR THINGS THAT HAPPEN WHEN A LANGUAGE DIES

Main problems:

- 1. No distinction among ideas
- 2. Unrepresentative / ineffective topic sentences
- 3. Illogical organization of ideas

### FEATURES OF A PARAGRAPH

- 1. Minimum of TWO sentences
- 2. Topic sentence:
  - a. Control

To begin with, technology has helped communication become more effective. With the advent of technological devices such as computers and smartphones and the Internet, people can keep in touch with their family, friends and relatives from virtually anywhere and at any time. Secondly, technology has also assisted education in several ways. Students can do research online and find all the information they need, and teachers can take advantage of technology to make their lessons more vivid and appealing.

- b. Guide
- c. Should be indented
- 3. Supporting sentences:
  - a. Explain
  - b. Give examples (universal)
  - c. Give definition
  - d. Give facts

### **BODY PARAGRAPH METHODS**

1. **IEE:** *Idea* (1) —> *Explanation* (2-3) —> *Example*(s) (1-2) [4-6]

To begin with, technology has helped communication become more effective. With the advent of technological devices such as computers and smartphones and the Internet, people can keep in touch with their family, friends and relatives from virtually anywhere and at any time. For example, for those who study abroad, it would have taken days, or even months in the past to send a letter home and received a response from their family. Nowadays, with services such as Facebook and Skype, overseas students can contact their loved ones who are millions of miles from them with just a click, making it easier than ever to stay in touch. (4-108)

2. **FS:** Topic sentence (1) —> Firstly (2-3) —> Secondly (1-2) [4-6]

Technology has helped communication become more effective. To begin with, in the business world, technological devices have allowed business partners to significantly reduce the time and resources needed for communication, thereby saving a large amount of money. For example, companies can now conduct meetings or even sign contracts online without having to meet face-to-face. In addition, education has also benefited greatly from technological progress, as communication between students and teachers has become easier than ever. Students can contact teachers at any time if they have any questions or concerns, and teachers can respond quickly to those in need. (5-98)