

## How to Write the Introduction of a Research Paper (Paragraph by Paragraph)

This guide will help you to write a clear and effective introduction for their research papers, using a step-by-step paragraph structure. Each paragraph has a specific purpose and content.

### 1st Paragraph: Setting the Stage

*Purpose: Get the reader interested and show why the topic matters.*

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Simple Explanation:

- Start with a strong statement or interesting fact to catch attention (this is called a hook).
- Give background so the reader understands the big picture.
- Mention why this topic is important today (e.g., real-world problem or trend).

Think of it as: “Here’s what’s happening, and it matters because...”

### 2nd Paragraph: What is the Study About?

*Purpose: Say clearly what your research focuses on.*

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Simple Explanation:

- Explain what your study is about.
- Mention what we already know and what we don’t know.
- List key ideas or concepts you’ll study.
- Say where or in what context the research happens (like a country or a sector).

Think of it as: “This is what I’m studying and where I’m studying it.”

### 3rd Paragraph: Why is This Important?

*Purpose: Show why this study needs to be done.*

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Simple Explanation:

- Explain why this research is needed now.
- Mention past studies and what they couldn’t solve.
- Show how your study might help or make a difference.

Think of it as: “Here’s why my research is needed.”

### 4th Paragraph: What’s Missing or the Problem?

*Purpose: Point out the gap in past research or raise the main research question.*

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Simple Explanation:

- Say what past research missed or didn't do well.
- Highlight any confusion or disagreements in past studies.
- Clearly write your main research questions.

Think of it as: "Here's the problem or gap I will try to fix."

### 5th Paragraph: What Will This Research Contribute?

*Purpose: Explain what the research will contribute or how it can help.*

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Simple Explanation:

- Say what new ideas or theories the study offers.
- Explain how it can be used in real life (practical use).
- Share what your study hopes to achieve.

Think of it as: "This is how my research will help or make a difference."

### Don'ts (What to Avoid)

- Don't start with boring or general statements.
- Don't include too many background details—just enough.
- Don't throw in random ideas—everything must connect.
- Don't forget to clearly mention the research problem or question.

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