

Week 9

Add a good topic sentence for this paragraph

The United Nations has a powerful secretariat that can bring issues for states to deal with, such as urging resolution to a conflict (as in recent 2021 clashes between Israel and Palestine). It is large in character, with thousands of employees. It is powerful in that it has the ability to achieve desirable ends in that it can demand states take action on certain issues (at the discretion of the United Nations Secretary General). It, however, does not have the power to compel states to take a desired course of action, which is why the United Nations is an international institution and not a world government. The Arctic Council Secretariat does not have the power to add items to the institution's agenda or recommend priorities. This power lies with states alone; the Arctic Council's Secretariat role is logistics and communication, as opposed to doing research on particular Arctic Council projects. It certainly is less powerful than the United Nations' secretariat functions.

Eliminate the passive voice in this paragraph

Last summer our house was painted by me. The job took about two weeks. First, the exterior was washed using warm water and a mild detergent. Then all the chinks and pores in the walls were sealed with putty. After the putty had had a chance to dry, the exterior could be painted. A latex paint was used because it is easy to apply and cleans up with water. A whole week was needed to finish this part of the job. I was very careful to apply the paint evenly because I did not want to have to apply two coats. A color was used that was very close to the original color. Our house is a two-story house, which meant that a tall ladder was needed to do the second story. The paint can had to be balanced on the top rung of the ladder while I worked. When the job was finished, a great deal of satisfaction was felt by me. I had to pat myself on the back. Even my dad said that a good job was done.

This paragraph has five grammar issues. Correct those five issues.

Inuit activists founded the Inuit Circumpolar Council. Because they wanted to advocate for the rights of Inuit peoples at the international level in 1977 (Inuit Circumpolar Council 2018). Alaska, Greenland, Labrador, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Quebec and Chukotka, Russia, the he Inuit traditionally live in current day. The Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North came together in 1990 as an umbrella organization for thirty-five domestic Indigenous organizations; representing forty-one different Indigenous groups within the Russian Federation. (Arctic Council 2016). The oldest Arctic Indigenous peoples' organization is the Saami Council, that activists founded in 1956 to reflect the aspirations of the Saami peoples of Finland, Norway, Russia and Sweden.