

Activity Type

Interactive reading and writing exercises

Language Focus

Paragraph structure and paragraph writing

Aim

To review academic paragraph structure and writing.

Preparation

Send each student a copy of the interactive worksheet.

Level

Intermediate (B1)

Time

40 minutes

Introduction

In this paragraph writing review interactive worksheet, students revise academic paragraph structure and writing.

Procedure

Students begin by completing a multiple-choice quiz to test their knowledge of academic paragraphs. Student should highlight the correct answers using their PDF software's highlighting tool.

Exercise A - Answer key

1. a 2. b 3. b 4. a 5. c 6. b 7. c 8. a

The students then complete missing parts of a paragraph with a suitable topic sentence, a supporting idea, and a concluding sentence.

Exercise B - Possible answers

1. Cycling to work or school has many benefits.
2. The second benefit is that riding a bike is good for people's physical health.
3. All in all, cycling has many advantages over other modes of transportation.

In the last exercise, students read a paragraph to find errors with unity and coherence. The students then rewrite the paragraph making the necessary improvements.

Exercise C - Possible answers

Problems - the topic sentence lacks a central focus, the third supporting idea is off topic, and the paragraph lacks transition words and phrases.

Working from home has a number of **disadvantages**. **The first drawback** of working remotely is feeling isolated. **For example**, going to the office everyday helps build relationships and a sense of a common purpose, which is difficult to achieve when working from home. **Secondly**, remote work can build a sense of mistrust among colleagues. This is because some may think their colleagues are relaxing at home and not working as hard as they should be. **A final disadvantage is that it makes it hard to separate work life from home life**. **For instance**, because the daily ritual of leaving the office and commuting home no longer exists, many remote workers are not able to switch their minds off work easily at the end of the working day. **In conclusion**, while working from home might seem convenient, it comes with some challenges.

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