

Part 1: The Paragraph Plan

Topic: _____

Topic Sentence (tell the topic and 3 reasons)

My favorite _____ is _____ because it is
_____, _____, and _____.

Main Idea 1 (First, ...)

Idea: _____

Detail: _____

Example (For example, ...): _____

Main Idea 2 (Second, ...)

Idea: _____

Detail: _____

Example: _____

Main Idea 3 (Third, ...)

Idea: _____

Detail: _____

Example: _____

Concluding Sentences (In conclusion, ...)

Sentence 1 (repeat the topic with different words):

Sentence 2 (final thought or feeling):

Part 2: Word Bank

Use at least 6 of these words in your paragraph!

- **To start:** First, Second, Third, Finally
- **To add:** Also, In addition, Another reason is
- **To give examples:** For example, For instance, Such as
- **To explain:** Because, This is important because, This means that
- **To end:** In conclusion, To sum up, That is why
- **Describing words:** amazing, helpful, fun, delicious, peaceful, important, special, colorful, strong, kind

Part 3: Model Paragraph

Read the paragraph. Then write the number of each sentence next to its label in the key below.

(1) My favorite animal is the dog because dogs are loyal, playful, and very smart. (2) First, dogs are loyal to their families. (3) A dog waits by the door every day until its owner comes home. (4) For example, my neighbor's dog, Max, jumps with joy when he sees her. (5) Second, dogs are playful. (6) They love to chase balls, run in the park, and splash in the water. (7) For instance, when I throw a ball, my dog brings it back and wants to play again. (8) Third, dogs are very smart. (9) They can learn tricks such as sit, stay, and roll over. (10) Some dogs even help people by guiding someone who cannot see. (11) In addition, dogs make us feel happy and safe. (12) In conclusion, dogs are the best pets because they are loyal, playful, and smart. (13) That is why I want to have a dog for my whole life.

Key (write the sentence numbers)

Topic sentence: _____

Main idea 1: _____ Detail: _____ Example: _____

Main idea 2: _____ Detail: _____ Example: _____

Main idea 3: _____ Detail: _____ Example: _____

Concluding sentences: _____

Answer key (solo para la tutora): Topic 1. Idea 1: 2, Detail 3, Example 4. Idea 2: 5, Detail 6, Example 7. Idea 3: 8, Detail 9, Example 10. Concluding: 12 y 13 (la oración 11 es un detalle extra).

Part 4: Guided Practice

Topic: My Favorite Place. Fill in the blanks.

My favorite place is _____ because it is
_____, _____, and
_____.

First, it is _____.

In this place, I can _____.

For example, _____.

Second, it is _____.

There are _____.

For instance, _____.

Third, it is _____.

I feel _____ when
_____.

Also, _____.

In conclusion, _____ is my favorite place because
_____.

That is why _____.

Part 5: Now You Write Alone!

Choose ONE topic:

1. My Favorite Food
2. My Best Friend
3. The Best Day of My Life
4. Why Reading Is Important
5. My Favorite Season of the Year
6. A Place I Would Like to Visit
7. What I Want to Be When I Grow Up
8. How to Take Care of the Planet

Step 1: Fill in the Paragraph Plan (Part 1).

Step 2: Write your paragraph on the lines below. Remember to indent the first line.

Step 3: Check your work with the checklist.

Title: _____

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Part 6: My Checklist

- ☐ I wrote at least 14 lines.
- ☐ My first sentence tells the topic.
- ☐ I gave 3 main ideas (First, Second, Third).
- ☐ Each idea has a detail and an example.
- ☐ I used at least 6 words from the Word Bank.
- ☐ My last sentences start with "In conclusion" or "That is why."
- ☐ Every sentence starts with a capital letter and ends with a period.
- ☐ I read my paragraph out loud and it makes sense.
- ☐ I checked my spelling.

Part 7: Self-Evaluation

Criterion	Score (1-3)
Topic sentence	
Three main ideas with details	
Examples	
Transition words	
Concluding sentences	
Spelling, capitals, and punctuation	
Length (14 lines)	
Total	/ 21