

OPINION PARAGRAPH

1. Remember the structure of a paragraph.

TOPIC SENTENCE: In my opinion...

REASON 1: First, ...

REASON 2: Second, ...

REASON 3: Third, ...

CONCLUDING SENTENCE: In conclusion, ...



2. Read this sample paragraph.

In my opinion, violent video games are harmful to young people. First, playing these games can cause changes in the behavior of young people. Frequent players have poorer grades in school, according to studies by psychologists. Second, violent video games make young people less sensitive to violence in the real world. Third, violent video games teach players to use violence to solve problems. Teenagers need to learn peaceful ways of dealing with problems with others. In conclusion, I feel that violent video games are damaging to young people and should be controlled – or, even better, banned.

3. Choose ONE of these topics and write an opinion paragraph.

Is it better to study individually or in a group? What do you think?

Teaching handwriting is a waste of time. Do you agree?

Is social media dangerous? What do you think?

Living in a small town is more convenient. Do you agree?

Being a teacher is easy. Do you agree?