

Writing Study

- A** Read the text. Put a mark where a new paragraph should start.

When engineers are deciding how to overcome an obstacle, they need to consider what type of obstacle it is. For example, if it's a river, it might be easier to build a bridge over it than dig a tunnel underneath it. However, if the obstacle is large, like a mountain, a tunnel may be the only way to overcome the problem. Work has begun on a very long tunnel called the Gotthard Tunnel. This tunnel is being dug under the Alps mountain range. It's going to be about 57 kilometers long!

- B** Match the two halves of each sentence.

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| 1 A paragraph is | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> a indent each new paragraph. |
| 2 Start a new paragraph to | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> b a group of sentences that describes one idea. |
| 3 Don't forget to | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> c clearer and give the reader time to understand what you're saying. |
| 4 Paragraphs make your writing | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> d move to a new idea. |

- C** Write two paragraphs about a bridge or a tunnel you like. Use the future continuous, and be sure to add paragraph breaks.

The Ponte Vecchio is a very old bridge. In fact, its name means "old bridge" in Italian. The Ponte Vecchio is in Florence, Italy. It's an arch bridge that crosses the River Arno. It dates from Roman times, and at first it was made of wood, but later the people of the city rebuilt it in stone.

Today, the bridge is a tourist attraction. Thousands of people walk across it every week. On either side of the bridge, there are shops. Most of these shops sell jewelry, leather, and souvenirs. I'm going to go there one day!


