

Academic Writing: Writing a Paragraph – Practice

Name: _____

Class: _____

Exercise 1. Identify the Structure (5 points)

Read the paragraph below and identify the function of each sentence.

Paragraph

Reading books is one of the best habits for university students. First, reading improves vocabulary and grammar. Moreover, it helps students develop critical thinking skills. Finally, reading enhances academic writing ability. Therefore, students should develop a regular reading habit.

Complete the table

Sentence	Answer
Sentence 1	_____
Sentence 2	_____
Sentence 3	_____
Sentence 4	_____
Sentence 5	_____

Exercise 2. Choose the Best Transition Word (5 points)

Choose the correct answer.

Question 1

Exercise improves physical health.

_____, it reduces stress.

However

Moreover

Although

Therefore

Question 2

Students should revise carefully.

_____, they can avoid grammar mistakes.

Besides

Therefore

However

Instead

Question 3

Reading improves vocabulary.

_____, it develops writing skills.

Although

In addition

Therefore

Instead

Question 4

Writing requires practice.

_____, students should write every day.

Nevertheless

Therefore

However

Although

Question 5

The paragraph is clear.

_____, the ideas are easy to understand.

However

As a result

Although

Instead

Exercise 3. Drag and Drop (5 points)

Instruction

Drag the labels into the correct boxes.

Labels

- Topic Sentence
- Supporting Sentence
- Concluding Sentence

Box 1: Introduces the main idea.

Box 2: Develops the main idea with details.

Box 3: Restates the main idea.

Exercise 4. Reorder the Paragraph (5 points)

Arrange the following sentences into the correct order.

A.

Therefore, students should read books every day.

B.

Reading books is one of the best habits for university students.

C.

Reading improves vocabulary.

D.

It also develops critical thinking skills.

Correct order

① _____

② _____

③ _____

④ _____

Exercise 5. Short Writing (10 points)

Write one topic sentence for the following topic.

Topic: Healthy Lifestyle

Total: 30 points

