

⚡ Parts of a Paragraph ⚡

A **paragraph** is a group of sentences that tells about one main idea. The **topic sentence** tells the main idea and is usually the first sentence. **Supporting sentences** tell more about the main idea. The **closing sentence** of a paragraph often retells the main idea in a different way. Here are the parts for one paragraph about Harry Potter.

Paragraph Title: **A Strange Letter Arrives**

Topic Sentence: **Harry's eleventh birthday turned out to be the strangest day of his life.**

Supporting Sentences:

1.

A mysterious letter addressed to him kept arriving no matter how hard his aunt and uncle tried to stop it.

2.

Letters poured through the mail slot, down the chimney, and even through the cracks in the walls.

3.

Finally, a giant of a man arrived at the door and delivered the letter himself.

4.

The letter revealed that Harry had been accepted to a special school for young wizards.

5.

For the first time, Harry learned the truth: he was actually a wizard.

Closing Sentence: **That single letter changed the course of Harry's whole life.**

When you write a paragraph, remember these rules:

- **Indent** the first line to let readers know that you are beginning a paragraph.
- **Capitalize** the first word of each sentence.
- **Punctuate** each sentence correctly (? ! , . ,).

Now pick a different Harry Potter moment you know well. Plan it out, then use the space below to write your own paragraph. Be sure to follow the rules above.

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