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Developing a paragraph

The first sentence of your paragraph should include the main idea/topic of the paragraph. This allows the reader to know what the paragraph is about. If you used a 6 box to collect information your topic idea would be in the topic box. Example: Many Australian's that live in the city have never seen a kangaroo in the wild.

Write a topic sentence.

Kangaroos in the city

- Australian
- wild animals
- rarely seen
- zoo-park-bush
- drought
- city dwellers

List important details and examples that support your topic idea.

Write your paragraph. You will need to write 3 or 4 sentences using the important details you have collected to support the subject topic. The closing sentence should restate the opening sentence using different words.

Example: Many Australian's that live in the city have never seen a Kangaroo in the wild. The Kangaroo's natural habitat is the bush as they are wild animals. Most people that dwell in the city would only see Kangaroos in special parks or zoos. Sometimes Kangaroos do move into outlying suburbs of a city for food and water if there is a long drought. Even during a long drought most Australians will never see a kangaroo where they live.