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## ESSAY

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## Good morning everyone!

Today, we are going to talk about the ESSAY in general and take a little introduction about it.

We all struggle when we are writing essays and the main reason is that we don't make enough Brainstorming.

Brainstorming: it's the flush of ideas.

جميعنا يعاني عندما نكتب مقال ما و السبب الرئيسي هو انه ليس لدينا تدفق كاف من الافكار .

P.s from the **Anwar Team**: we will not translate some of the words because you need to read them in English and understand them.

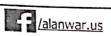
## In writing, we have two basic forms:

- The smaller form: "paragraph"
- The bigger form: "Article/Essay"
- How to write a Paragraph:

The Paragraph is: a group of related and coherent sentences that develop a main idea.

**Note**: leave a space (about one centimeter) in the beginning of a paragraph.

- 1. Topic Sentence
- 2. Controlling Ideas (الافكار الرئيسية)
- 3. Opinion / Summary "your own"





## The basic structure of any Paragraph has three parts:

- 1. Topic Sentence " جملة رئيسية
- 2. The body: The supporting sentences

🥊 الأفكار الداعمة الرئيسية

3. Restatement اعادة صياغة جملة الموضوع Topic Sentence"

Restatement: it's either a summary or rewriting the Topic Sentence in deferent structure.

#### The first one is:

#### The Topic Sentence:

It introduces the main idea of the paragraph and it's the most general idea of the paragraph. The topic sentence is a complete sentence. You can't write:

- Your own opinion
- Ask a question.
- It needs to be clear.
- It has 2 main ideas:

#### • The Topic:

It's the SUBJECT of the paragraph or what the paragraph is mainly about.

#### The Controlling idea:

It's the main point, opinion, or view that the writer has of the SUBJECT.





controlling idea

For example: Smoking is harmful to your health.

Smoking: The Topic

Is harmful to your health: The controlling idea

Ps: the paragraph always starts with the Topic Sentence.

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#### The second one is:

#### The Body (support sentence):

It's about developing the main idea (the topic sentence) and to do that, we have to do some of these:

- Statistics or Facts - examples - personal experience

#### Examples

- Personal Experience

There are two types of Supporting Sentences:

- Major supporting sentence: contains the main details that directly develop the Topic Sentence.
- Minor supporting sentence: gives more details or examples of the Major Supporting Sentences.

P.s: The number of major and minor is not limited.

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#### The Third one is:

#### The Conclusion sentence:

It's the final sentence of the paragraph. It may **restate** the Topic Sentence using different words, and it could be a summary or your own opinion.





P.s: not all paragraphs end with a concluding sentence.

The ideal paragraph only ends with one.

Let's take an Example Paragraph and see the structure: this example is not required, but we will read it so you could understand the ideas more.

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#### Model paragraph



Smoking is harmful to your health. Several years ago, a United States government study was released that linked the intake of tar and nicotine, found in cigarettes, with the development of the cancer in laboratory animals. The evidence was so overwhelming that the United States government required cigarette manufacturers to put a warning on the outside of each package of cigarettes, which says, "warning: the Surgeon General has determined that cigarette smoking is hazardous to your health." Aside from the most serious and dreaded disease, cancer, eigarette smoking also can aggravate or promote other health problems. For example, smoking can increase the discomfort for people with asthma. It can give one a "Smoker's cough" and contribute to bronchitis. Finally, recent studies have shown that cigarette smokers are more susceptible to common colds and flu. Whether you get a



small insignificant cold or the major killer, cancer, smoking cigarettes is hazardous.

## The Topic Sentence:

- Smoking is harmful to your health.

Major supporting sentence:

- Several years ago, a United States... laboratory animals.

Minor supporting sentence:

- The evidence was so overwhelming ... to your health".

Major supporting sentence:

- Aside from the most ... other health disease.

Minor supporting sentence:

- For example ... with asthma.

Minor supporting sentence:

- It can give one ... contribute to bronchitis.

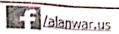
Minor supporting sentence:

- Finally, recent studies... common colds and flu.

The Conclusion Sentence:

- Whether you get ... cigarettes is hazardous.

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### Types of ESSAYS we will take in the book:

- 1. Argumentive Essay: مقالة جدلية
- 2. Process Essay: مقالة عن عملية
- 3. Classification Essay: مقالة عن الانواع types of plants or animals " مثال: انواع الحيوانات او النباتات
  - 4. Compare and Contrast Essay: مقالة مقارنة
  - 5. Narrative Essay: مقالة لسرد قصة
  - 6. Describe Essay: مقالة وصف
  - 7. Cause and Effect Essay: مقالة سبب و نتيجة

### Never give up



