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#### محتوى المحاضرة

### **The structure of a paragraph**

In this unit you will learn about...

- . **The definition of a paragraph**
- . **The parts of a paragraph**
- . **How to identify and write topic sentences**

**A paragraph** is a group of a sentences about a single topic. Together. The sentences of the paragraph explain the writer's main idea about the topic. In academic writing, a paragraph is often between five and ten sentences long, but it can be longer or shorter, depending on the topic.

**Indentation** is a space at the beginning of a line of writing when it starts further away from the edge of the paper than all the other lines.

**Paragraph organisation** a paragraph has three basic parts

1. **The topic sentence.** This is the main idea of the paragraph. It is usually the first sentence of the paragraph, and it's the most general sentence of the paragraph.
2. **The supporting sentence.** These are sentences that talk about or explain the topic sentence. They are more detailed ideas that follow the topic sentence.
3. **The concluding sentence.** This may be found as the last sentence of a paragraph. It can finish a paragraph by repeating the main idea or just giving a final comment about the topic.

## Switzerland- something interesting at every turn

If you dream of traveling to a country with **beautiful mountains, delicious food, wonderful places to go sight-seeing and polite people, should visit Switzerland.** If you look at the map the first thing you notice is that Switzerland has many mountains, including some of the highest in Europe. Climbing or skiing down the mountains is great fun. Another thing you will notice that Switzerland shares its border with five countries: France, Germany, Italy, Austria and Liechtenstein. In fact, there are four official languages in Switzerland: German, French, Italian and Romansch. All these groups of people make Swiss culture very interesting. Finally, Switzerland has many cities and interesting places to visit. Cities such as Bern have modern buildings like the Paul Klee Zentrum, yet the traditional alpine refuges in the mountains show that the country's old traditions are still alive. **All the people, places and things too see definitely make Switzerland a great place for a holiday.**

*Circle the topic of the sentence. Underline the main idea about the topic*

- a. **Switzerland** is a very interesting country to visit.
- b. **Dog** makes excellent pets.
- c. A really good place to study is **the library at my school**.
- d. **Learning a foreign language** create jop opportunities.
- e. **football** is my favourite sport because it is exciting to watch.
- f. One of the most valuable tools for students is **the computer**.
- g. **My sister and I** have very different personality.
- h. **Summer** is the best time to travel in my country.
- i. **My hometown** is a friendly place to live.

- The topic sentence is usually the first sentence in a paragraph it gives the topic and the main idea.
- The first sentence of a paragraph can be indented.
- The supporting come after the topic sentence, and they explain the topic sentence.
- The concluding comes at the end of a paragraph.

These sentences are mixed up parts of one paragraph. Number the parts in order. 1. topic sentence 2. supporting sentences, and 3. concluding sentences.