

# WRITING PARAGRAPHS

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## The Paragraph

**A paragraph is one or more sentences that tell about one idea or thing. The first word in a paragraph is always indented. This means that it starts a little to the right of the left-hand margin.**

**Read the paragraph below.**

Basketball is an American game. It was invented in America. The first basketball team had nine players. The first baskets were made from peach baskets. People like to play baseball.



**What is the paragraph about? Underline the correct answer.**

Americans      baseball      basketball      people

**Do all the sentences in the paragraph tell about the same thing?**  Yes  No

**Cross out any sentence in the paragraph above that does not fit.**

**Read this paragraph.**

Some lucky golfers get the ball in the hole with the first shot. It's called a "hole-in-one." People like to wear golf shoes. There are more than you think. In 1979, there were 30,000 holes-in-one reported!



**What is the paragraph about? Underline the correct answer.**

1979      shoes      tennis      holes-in-one

**Do all the sentences tell about the same thing?**  Yes  No

**Cross out any sentence in the paragraph above that does not fit.**

**Challenge: Choose one of the paragraphs above and write it correctly.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## The Paragraph

Read the paragraph below.

Do you like to eat pasta? Pasta means dough. You might call it spaghetti or macaroni. Pasta comes in 100 shapes. Some are shells. Others are wide noodles. Most people enjoy eating hamburgers. Pasta must be boiled until it is soft.



What is the paragraph about?            Underline the correct answer.

sauce

macaroni

pasta

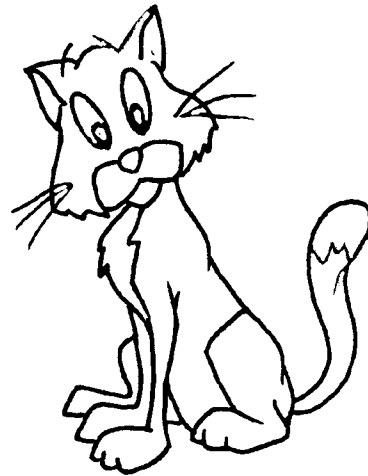
lunch

Do all the sentences in the paragraph tell about the same thing?  Yes  No

Cross out any sentence in the paragraph above that does not fit.

Read this paragraph.

For almost 5,000 years, cats have been kept as pets. Cats have a great sense of smell. They can't see as well as people, though. Whiskers help them feel their way in the dark. Dogs make good pets. Kittens' eyes open within two weeks of birth.



What is the paragraph about?            Underline the correct answer.

pets

cats

dogs

smelling

Do all the sentences tell about the same thing?  Yes  No

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