

paragraphs

A **paragraph** is a section of a piece of writing. It does not have to be a particular length. It can be as short as a single sentence or can be ten sentences or more.

Using paragraphs helps readers to follow what is written and give them time to pause.

Writing in paragraphs

- Each paragraph should be about one main point or idea.
- A **topic sentence** tells the reader what the main idea of the paragraph is. This usually comes at the beginning of the paragraph, but it can go elsewhere.
- All the sentences in a paragraph should be about the main topic and give a little more information about it.
- A new idea should be given in a new paragraph.
- A new paragraph starts on a new line.
- A new paragraph begins in a little bit from the margin. This is called the **indent**.