

Paragraph Part 2: Topic Sentence
Video Notes

Topic Sentence – Main Idea

1. The topic sentence tells _____.
2. The main idea is _____. It is the _____.
3. Topic sentence = _____ + _____



4. Underline the topic sentence. Then label the topic and main point.

Anna is an excellent student. She is intelligent. She is responsible. Anna always does her homework, and she is never late for class. As a result of her hard work, Anna is one of the best students in school.

Topic Sentence Practice

Instructions: Read the paragraph. Choose the best topic sentence.

Question 1.

_____. Fruits are delicious.
Examples of fruits are apples, oranges and bananas.
Fruits have many vitamins and minerals, including Vitamin C, Vitamin E, and Potassium. For these reasons, it is a good idea to eat lots of fruit.

- 1) What is the best topic sentence?
 - a. Everyone loves fruit.
 - b. Fruit is a delicious food to eat.
 - c. Fruit is a healthy and tasty food.

Question 2.

_____ . First, many schools require two or more years of foreign language study for graduation. Secondly, learning other languages helps us communicate with people from other countries. Also, knowing a foreign language can lead to job opportunities. Finally, for many people, studying foreign languages is fun! There are many reasons to learn a foreign language.

2) What is the best topic sentence?

- a. In the USA, many students study Spanish language.
- b. It is important to learn foreign languages.
- c. In college, people need to know foreign languages.

Question 3.

_____ . Children who have a cell phone can call for help in an emergency. Also, they can always communicate with their parents. Finally, cell phones help children stay in contact with friends. For these reasons, when possible, children should have a cell phone.

3) What is the best topic sentence?

- a. There are many types of cell phones.
- b. Cell phones help children call friends and parents.
- c. Having a cell phone can help children in several ways.