

Expository Paragraph

The purpose of an *expository* paragraph is to give information about a topic. It may give directions, explain something, or tell how to do something.

Words such as *first, next, lastly, most importantly*, are often important in *expository* paragraphs.

Choose one of the following topics.
Write an expository paragraph about your topic.

Remember:

topic sentence, developing sentences, concluding sentence.

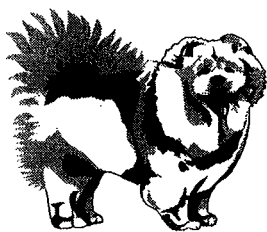
- *how to make the best pizza*
- *important guidelines for babysitting*
- *how to earn extra money*
- *how to give a dog a bath*
- *how to make friends*



Paragraph Challenge

Choose two of the following groups of words. For each group of three words, write a paragraph on what the words suggest to you. Will the paragraph be *descriptive, narrative, persuasive, or expository*? Use all three words somewhere in your paragraph. Write your paragraphs on the next page.

- *dog, cat, clothesline*
- *lawn, broke, CD*
- *piano, clock, championship game*
- *ladder, paint, horn*
- *thunder, vase, allowance*



All About Me!



Write two paragraphs about yourself.

In the first paragraph, compare yourself to one of the characters in a book, TV series, or movie. How are you similar?

In the second paragraph, contrast yourself with the character. How are you different?

Paragraph 1

I am similar to _____ in several ways.

Paragraph 2

I am different from _____ in several ways.
