

## Topic Sentence:

- Introduces the topic or idea
- Is very general
- Grabs the reader's attention
- Needs to be indented

## Detail Sentences:

- Supports the topic of the paragraph
- Gives examples
- Explains your thinking
- Stays on topic
- Should be 3 to 5 of these in a paragraph

## Conclusion:

- Restates the topic sentence (using different words) OR
- Summarizes the information
- Lets the reader know that you are finished
- Wraps up your thinking in a final thought