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Paragraphs

A **paragraph** is a group of sentences dealing with one subject. The first sentence of a paragraph is always indented.

My favorite pet is a cat. They have cute faces and soft fur. I love the way they purr when I pet them. If I had a cat of my own, I'd be very happy.

1. A paragraph has a topic sentence, which gives the main idea.

My favorite pet is a cat.

2. A paragraph has supporting details.

They have cute faces and soft fur.
I love the way they purr when I pet them.

3. A paragraph has a closing sentence.

If I had a cat of my own, I'd be very happy.

Write a paragraph about your favorite holiday.

Topic sentence: _____

Supporting detail: _____

Supporting detail: _____

Closing sentence: _____

Pronouns

A **pronoun** is a word that can take the place of a noun.

Bill has a dog. **He** has a dog.

Read the sentence and circle the noun. Then write a new sentence, replacing the noun with a pronoun from the choice box. You may use a pronoun more than once.

they she he it

1. **Pam** fixed lunch today. She fixed lunch today.

2. Bob, Bill, and Ted went to the park. _____

3. The pillow is soft. _____

4. Jason went fishing. _____

5. Molly loves chocolate. _____

6. Anna and Grace play soccer. _____

Subject-Verb Agreement

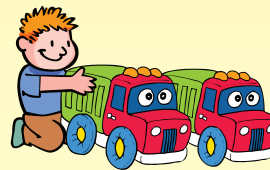
Subject-verb agreement is using a singular verb with a singular subject and using a plural verb with a plural subject.

Read each sentence and circle the correct verb.

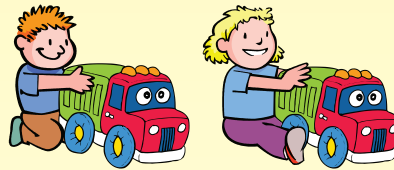
1. The boy play - plays with a truck.



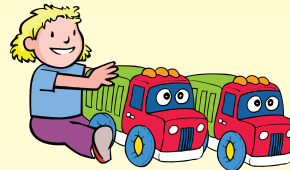
2. He play - plays with trucks.



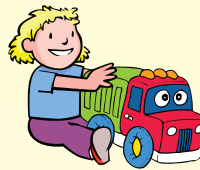
3. They play - plays with trucks.



4. The girl play - plays with trucks.



5. She play - plays with a truck.



6. They play - plays with trucks.



7. The girl and the boy play - plays with trucks.



Adjectives

An **adjective** is a word that describes a noun (person, place, or thing) or a pronoun. It gives more information about the noun or pronoun.

I ate the **big** apple.

Circle the adjectives in each sentence.

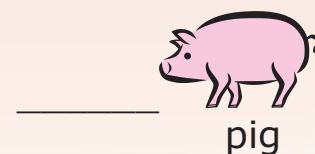
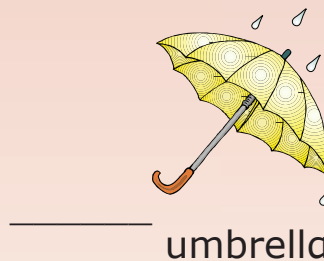
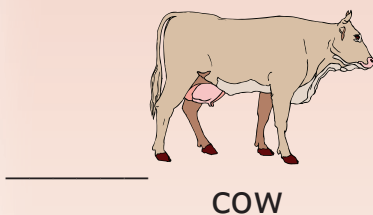
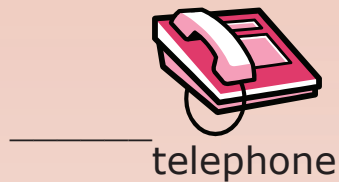
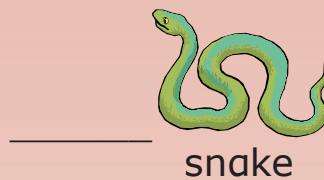
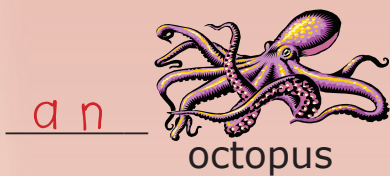
- 2 1. My bike is blue and Jake has a green bike.
- 2 2. The little bear ate the juicy berries.
- 3 3. The old man smiled at the cute little baby.
- 2 4. The two deer munched on the tender leaves.
- 2 5. I bought one ticket to the scary movie.
- 2 6. Nathan grabbed the big shovel, but I wanted one that was small.
- 2 7. The two girls watched as the three kittens played with the string.
- 3 8. He ate two sandwiches and a big red tomato.
- 2 9. Five cows munched on the green grass.

A or An

Use **a** before words that begin with a consonant sound. Use **an** before words that begin with a vowel sound.

a cat **an** egg

Write a or an before each picture.



Friendly Letters

An **e-mail** is a letter sent from a computer over the Internet. There are seven parts to a friendly e-mail.

Write an e-mail to thank Donna for a gift she sent you.

To: donnak25@yahoo.com

Cc:

Subject:
