

Paragraph Writing Practice

Write a lengthy paragraph (8+sentences) on each of the following topics using the Sentence Opener required. **REMEMBER—describe the event/person in DETAIL!!**

Topic: A Nightmare

“Ing” at the beginning (action word)

Planning

Scary Ideas:

Description of what you smell:

Description of what you feel:

Description of Sight (what you see)

Description of Sound (what you hear)

SASSY SENTENCE:

TRANSITION WORD: (ADDITION-Add a specific detail what you see)

EXPLANATION (describe what you see in detail, use DESCRIPTIVE words)

TRANSITION WORD: (ADDITION-Add a specific detail what you hear or smell)

EXPLANATION (describe what you hear or smell in detail, use DESCRIPTIVE words)

TRANSITION WORD: (CAUSE OR REASON-explain what is happening to you or in the nightmare) USE DESCRIPTIVE WORDS!

TRANSITION WORD: (SUMMARY-use creative word or transition word to wrap up your nightmare)

Nightmare Paragraph

CATEGORY	4 -	3 -	2 -	1 -
Sassy Sentence Opener	Sassy Sentence opener was used, it was effective, and added to the paragraph	Sassy sentence was attempted, it was not completely effective to the paragraph	Sassy sentence opener was attempted, it was not effective and made the paragraph confusing and hard to understand	Sassy sentence opener was not used
Details and Explanations (use of descriptions)	All of the details and examples are specific, relevant and explanations are given that show how each piece of evidence supports the author's position.	Most of the details and examples are specific, relevant and explanations are given that show how each piece of evidence supports the author's position.	At least one of the pieces of details OR examples are relevant and has an explanation that shows how that piece of evidence supports the author's position.	Details and examples are NOT relevant AND/OR are not explained.
Grammar & Spelling	Author makes no errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.	Author makes 1-2 errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.	Author makes 3-4 errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.	Author makes more than 4 errors in grammar or spelling that distracts the reader from the content.

Total /12