



The Paragraph – Syllabus

Course Description: This course will introduce your student to the world of writing paragraphs. Students will learn about topic sentences, supporting ideas, and concluding sentences. Students will then practice the use of transition words/phrases and super sentence skills to create super paragraphs! Finally, they will use all of these skills to learn about and write descriptive, how-to, expository, and narrative paragraphs.

Course Outline:

Week One: What Is A Paragraph?

Week Two: What's the Main Idea?

Week Three: The Topic Sentence

Week Four: Details

A. Supporting Details

B. Details That Don't Fit

Week Five: The Concluding Sentence

Week Six: Paragraph Stretch

A. Super Sentence Skills

B. Add Transitions

Week Seven: Types of Paragraphs I

Week Eight: Types of Paragraphs II

Grading Information: All assignments will be graded using *The Beginning Writer* grading rubric and will be averaged to receive a final course grade.