

Mastering Paragraphs with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To understand how to organise writing into paragraphs to group related ideas.

Read each flashcard. Max the Monkey uses these tips to keep his maths stories tidy. Look at the word bank if you need help.

What is a paragraph?

A group of sentences about one main idea.

When do we start a new paragraph?

When we start a new topic or idea.

True or False: Paragraphs help writing stay tidy.

True.

Max writes about bananas in one paragraph. Should he write about his bed in the same one?

No, that is a new idea.

How does a paragraph help the reader?

It makes the writing easier to read and understand.

If I change the time of day in my story, should I start a new paragraph?

Yes, that is a good time to start a new paragraph.

What do we call the main subject of a paragraph?

The topic.

Does a paragraph need to have many sentences?

No, it just needs to group one idea together.

What does 'flow' mean in writing?

It means the sentences link together smoothly.

Where does a paragraph usually start?

On a new line, sometimes with a small space at the start.