

Paragraph Power with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To understand how and when to use paragraphs to organise writing.

Max the Monkey is sorting his maths notes into organised sections. Read the questions carefully and help him put his writing in order!

Answer Key: 1. A, 2. True, 3. False, 4. C, 5. True, 6. Indent, 7. C, 8. True, 9. Topic, 10. A. Note: A paragraph is a group of sentences that focus on one main idea.

Word bank: paragraph · topic · indent · structure · story · information

1. 1. What is a paragraph? A) A group of sentences about one idea*, B) One very long sentence, C) A list of maths sums, D) A title at the top of a page. (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: You should start a new paragraph when you change to a new time or place in a story. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: All paragraphs must be exactly five sentences long. (1 mark)

4. 4. How can you show a new paragraph is starting? A) Use a highlighter, B) Start a new page, C) Leave a gap or indent the first line*, D) Draw a picture. (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Paragraphs help the reader understand your writing better. (1 mark)

6. 6. Fill in the blank: If you do not leave a blank line, you can start a new paragraph by using an _____ at the start of the first line. (1 mark)

7. 7. When writing about Max the Monkey, which should be in its own paragraph? A) His name, B) His favourite colour, C) A new event in his adventure*, D) A full stop. (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: A paragraph should stay focused on one main topic. (1 mark)

9. 9. Fill in the blank: Every paragraph should have a clear _____ that links the sentences together. (1 mark)

10. 10. Why do we use paragraphs? A) To organise ideas clearly*, B) To make the writing look messy, C) To hide mistakes, D) To save paper. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw Max the Monkey sitting under a tree, writing in his notebook. Show him using clear spaces between his paragraphs to keep his notes tidy.



Extension challenge: Write two short paragraphs about your favourite hobby. Make sure each paragraph focuses on a different part of the hobby, like 'what it is' and 'why you enjoy it'.