

# Mastering Paragraphs with Pip the Bookworm

*Learning objective: To understand how to use paragraphs to organise information, show shifts in time, place, or topic, and improve flow in writing.*

Read the questions carefully and help Pip the Bookworm sort out his story notes! Choose the best answer for each question.

Answer Key: 1. A, 2. B, 3. True, 4. False, 5. New topic, 6. A, 7. True, 8. False, 9. Setting, 10. Cohesion.

*Word bank: cohesion · paragraph · topic · shift · structure · flow · narrative · indented*

**1. 1. Why do we use paragraphs in our writing? A) To organise ideas clearly\*, B) To make the page look colourful, C) To hide spelling mistakes, D) To increase the word count. (1 mark)**

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**2. 2. When should you start a new paragraph? A) At the end of every sentence, B) When there is a change in time, place, or topic\*, C) When you get bored of writing, D) Only on every second page. (1 mark)**

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**3. 3. True or False: Every paragraph should focus on one main idea. (1 mark)**

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**4. 4. True or False: Paragraphs are only used in stories and never in non-fiction reports. (1 mark)**

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**5. 5. If you are writing a story and the character moves from the garden to the kitchen, what should you do? (1-word answer) (1 mark)**

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**6. 6. Which of these is a good way to show a new paragraph has started? A) Indenting the first line\*, B) Using a giant highlighter, C) Writing in a different language, D) Drawing a picture. (1 mark)**

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**7. 7. True or False: Paragraphs help the reader follow the flow of a text. (1 mark)**

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**8. 8. True or False: A paragraph must be at least ten sentences long to be correct. (1 mark)**

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**9. 9. If your story moves from a sunny afternoon to the middle of the night, what have you shifted? (1-word answer) (1 mark)**

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10. 10. What is the word for words or phrases that link paragraphs together to help the writing flow? (1-word answer) (1 mark)

**Draw:** Draw Pip the Bookworm sitting on a pile of books, holding a magnifying glass and sorting out neatly organised stacks of paper.



*Extension challenge: Write a short story about Max the monkey finding a hidden treasure map. Make sure to use at least three distinct paragraphs: one for the discovery of the map, one for the journey to the spot, and one for the moment he finds the treasure.*