

## Paragraph Writing Syllabus

### Lesson 1: Basic Paragraph

Organize Notebook  
Paragraph Checklist & No List  
Note Taking – Block Outlines

### Lesson 2: How-to Paragraphs

Sentence Structure: Quality Adjectives  
Sequence Order – Block Outlines  
Poetry: Descriptive

### Lesson 3: Rewrite Parables

Sentence Structure: Adverbs  
Narrative – Block Outlines  
Poetry: Active / Personification

### Lesson 4: Rewrite Fables

Sentence Structure: Descriptive Verbs  
Expand Block Outlines  
Poetry: Concrete

### Lesson 5: Comparison Paragraphs

Sentence Structure: Homonyms  
Standard Non-block Outline  
Poetry: Alliteration

### Lesson 6: Contrast Paragraphs

Sentence Structure: Use 3<sup>rd</sup> person only  
Poetry: Alphabet Acrostic

### Lesson 7: Descriptive

Sentence Structure: Vary Sentence Length  
Poetry: Word Acrostic / Similes

### Lesson 8: Process Sequence

Sentence Structure: No good/great/bad, big/small, happy/sad, pretty, nice, or fun  
Poetry: Picture Poems

### Lesson 9: Informative Paragraph

Sentence Structure: Introductory & Concluding Sentences  
Forbidden Sentence Openers – No Here, There, This, That, These, or Those  
Poetry: Single Concept / Idioms

### Lesson 10: Concrete Descriptive

Sentence Structure: Repetitious Sentences and Run-ons - Conjunctions  
Poetry: Acrostic Place / Hyperbole

Lesson 11: Concrete Place Descriptive

Sentence Structure: Who or Which Clause

Poetry: Haiku (word count)

Lesson 12: Descriptive Sequence: Mood Setting

Sentence Structure: Avoid Run-on Sentences

Poetry: Cinquain (word count)

Lesson 13: Descriptive Comparison 2-P

Sentence Structure: Concrete Synonyms

Poetry: Tanka (word count)

Lesson 14: Narrative Proverb 2-P

Sentence Structure: Because Clause

Transition Phrases

Poetry: Diamante (word count)

Lesson 15: Figures of Speech Review

Lesson 16: 2-Paragraph Memory Description

Sentence Structure: Checklist Review

Overlapping Transitions

Poetry: Poetry in Motion

Lesson 17: 2-Paragraph Comparison

Sentence Structure: Clauses – while, when, where

Poetry: Haiku (syllable count)

Lesson 18: 2-Paragraph Before and After Comparison

Sentence Structure: Clauses – if, as, as if, since, although

Poetry: Cinquain (syllable count)

Lesson 19: 2-Paragraph Biography

Sentence Structure: Prepositional Phrases & Apostrophes

Poetry: Tanka (syllable count)

Lesson 20: 3-Paragraph Myth Set-up

Sentence Structure: Adverb & Participle Sentence Openers “ing/ed”

Poetry: Diamante (syllable count)

Lesson 21: 3-Paragraph Myth

Sentence Structure: Sentence Links

Poetry: Color – 5 senses

Lesson 22: 4-Paragraph Tall Tale Set-up

Sentence Structure: Add Spice – Hyperbole/Similes/Alliteration/Idioms

Poetry: Making Sense - Onomatopoeia

Lesson 23: 4-Paragraph Tall Tale

Sentence Structure: Review – adjectives, adverbs, verbs, prepositional phrases & clauses  
Poetry: Sight - metaphors

Lesson 24: Introductory Paragraph 5-Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Review – adjectives, adverbs, verbs, prepositional phrases & clauses  
Poetry: Initial Acrostic

Lesson 25: Concluding Paragraph 5-Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Review Game  
Poetry: Anaphora

Lesson 26: Support Paragraphs 5-Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Review Game  
Poetry: Seasonal Acrostic

Lesson 27: Complete 5-Paragraph Essay Outline

Sentence Structure: Review Game  
Poetry: Couplets / Quatrains

Lesson 28: Set-up 5-Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Review Game  
Poetry: Clerihew

Lesson 29: 5 Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: MLA Format & Review Game  
Poetry: Limericks

Lesson 30: Turn in 5 Paragraph Essay

Sentence Structure: Review Game