

Deconstructing Paragraphs Worksheet

You have learned that a **paragraph** consists, basically, of a **topic sentence** (which sometimes, though not always, states the main idea of the paragraph), and **supporting details**, which, as they sound, give support—and add detail—to the idea stated in your topic sentence. Use the framework below to deconstruct the paragraph you have read.

Topic Sentence _____

Supporting Detail One _____

Supporting Detail Two _____

Supporting Detail Three _____

Supporting Detail Four _____

Supporting Detail Five _____

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