

LI: To plan a paragraph around a theme

DIRECTIONS: Read each pair of sentences. Write TS for Topic Sentence next to the sentence that would make a good topic sentence. Write SD for Supporting Detail next to the sentence that would make a good supporting detail.

_____ The house on the corner is beautiful inside.
_____ The kitchen has recently been redecorated.

_____ He never jumps up on anyone.
_____ Rex is a very well-behaved dog.

_____ Gardening is very good for you.
_____ You get exercise working in the outdoors.

_____ Kari's birthday party was a lot of fun.
_____ We played games and won prizes.

_____ We spend all day Saturday cleaning.
_____ It was a very busy weekend.

_____ You must make sure to keep it very safe.
_____ Having a swimming pool is a lot of work.
_____ You must continually monitor the water quality.

_____ There haven't been any significant storms.
_____ There hasn't been a lot of rainfall.
_____ We have had very good weather this year.

_____ The flowers are bright and colourful.
_____ That is the nicest house in the street.
_____ The grass is always short and very green.
_____ It is freshly painted every year.

DIRECTIONS: Cross out the detail that does not support the topic sentence.

1. TOPIC SENTENCE: It is easy to paint a stool at home.

- A. Stools come in very handy in the kitchen.
- B. Choose a stool which is made of wood.
- C. Sand the old stool down using sandpaper.
- D. Paint the stool carefully in your favourite colour.

2. TOPIC SENTENCE: It was a very exciting weekend.

- A. On Saturday we all went rock-climbing.
- B. Saturday night we attended a party on a yacht.
- C. Our rubbish gets picked up every Friday afternoon.
- D. Sunday we took a long hike through the woods.

3. TOPIC SENTENCE: Football is an exciting sport.

- A. Football is very fast-paced.
- B. Lots of goals can be scored in a football match.
- C. There are eleven players on each team.
- D. You never know what is going to happen in a game.