

# Parts of the Paragraph

## Broken Down into Threes

### 1. The Topic Sentence (TS):

_____	_____	_____
The Main Topic	A Point About the Topic	The Number of Reasons

(TS) After considering the numerous activities I enjoy doing in my free-time, playing football is undoubtedly my most favorite for an abundance of reasons.

### 2. The Point Sentences (PT):

_____	_____	_____
Begins with a Transition,	Has a Point about the Topic	The Topic in New Words

(1<sup>st</sup> PT) To begin with, I take enormous pleasure in playing football because of the physical contact.

### 3. The Example Sentences (EX):

_____	_____	_____
Two or More Sentences	Explain/Elaborate on the PT	Details that Show the 1 <sup>st</sup> EX (and, tie back to the Pt.)

(EX) There is no greater feeling I can get than when I tackle my opponent. I play linebacker, and when an opposing running back comes cutting through the line trying to make a big run, I just love smashing him to the ground and not giving him any yardage. The sound of my pads crashing the runner to the turf and stopping a big gain, not only psyches me up, but it gets my teammates pumped up too.

### 4. The Concluding Sentence (CS):

_____	_____	_____
Begins with a Transition,	Has the 3 PT's in New Words	Includes the Main Topic

(CS) In short, engaging in the sport of football is my number one passion in my spare time because I get to literally smack people around, I find the competition irresistible, and it is a great way to spend quality time with my friends.

**Note:** In order to get a passing grade on the structure, you must include all the parts listed above. Remember that the (TS), the 3 (PT's), and the (CS) are all one sentence only. Then, the (EX's) for the (PT's) are each at least two sentences long and very specific.