

TEAS

PARAGRAPH



Topic Sentence

Main idea
Main argument
Overview

- Is
- has
- creates
- uses
- shows
- needs

Evidence

- Facts or details
- Quotes
- Paraphrase info
- Statistic (e.g. percent)
- Anecdote or story

- ...claims, "..."
- ... says, "..."
- The author says, "..."
- The graph / data / survey shows that there are...
- For example...
- Observations re-revealed that...

Example

Cindarella is nice. For example, she does chores without complaining. This shows that she does hard work without having to tell other people about her difficulties. Additionally, in the book, she says, "I forgive you". This demonstrates how even when she was treated badly, she can give people a second chance. The combination of her actions and her words show how Cindarella is a kind person.

Analysis of Evidence

- Paraphrase evidence
- Explain main idea of evidence
- Explain why evidence is important

- This...(quote, statistic, language) means...
- This shows how...
- This demonstrates...
- In other words, this is saying...

Significance

Connect evidence to topic sentence

Cause and effect to show how evidence proves point

- As a result,...
- Therefore,...
- The combination of ...and ... show...