

Building Meaty Paragraphs

THE BUN: Topic Sentence

This sentence gives the **SUBJECT** and includes the **MAIN IDEA** of the paragraph.

TOMATO: EXAMPLE

This sentence is an **EXAMPLE** that **SUPPORTS** the **MAIN IDEA** from the topic sentence.

LETTUCE: QUOTE

This sentence will be an **OUTSIDE SOURCE** that supports the main idea. Make sure to **CITE** the source.

CHEESE: EXPLAINING QUOTE

This sentence will explain why the quote **RELATES** to main idea.

MEAT: EXAMPLE OR STATISTIC

This sentence will be another example or a statistic that **SUPPORTS** the main idea.

THE BUN: Closing Sentence

This sentence will **RESTATE THE TOPIC** of the paragraph or the main idea.

TOP BUN: TOPIC SENTENCE

TOMATO: EXAMPLE OR STATISTIC

LETTUCE: QUOTE

CHEESE: EXPLAINING QUOTE

MEAT: ANOTHER EXAMPLE OR STATISTIC

BOTTOM BUN: CONCLUDING SENTENCE