

Three Ways to Write a Topic Sentence

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A statement says the main point plainly. A number sentence tells how many details are coming. A question and answer asks, then answers with the main point.

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1. _____ Spiders are helpful animals to have in a garden.
2. _____ There are three reasons every kid should learn to swim.
3. _____ What makes a cheetah so fast? Its whole body is built for speed.
4. _____ A good campsite needs two things.
5. _____ Have you ever wondered why leaves change color? The answer is hiding inside the leaf.
6. _____ My grandmother's kitchen is my favorite room.

B Here is a statement: *Recess is an important part of the school day.* Write it the other two ways.

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Question and answer: _____

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Three Ways to Write a Topic Sentence: Answer Key

Answers for A are shown. Answers for B and C will vary; examples are shown.

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B Here is a statement: *Recess is an important part of the school day.* Write it the other two ways.

Number sentence: There are three reasons recess is important.

Question and answer: Why is recess important? It helps kids in many ways.

C Write a topic sentence about your favorite season in each of the three ways.

Statement: Summer is the best season of the year.

Number sentence: I love summer for three reasons.

Question and answer: What is the best season? Summer wins every time.
