

The Complex Paragraph

[Assessing Two or More Sides of An Issue But Favouring One Side]

Introduction - Explain the topic of the paragraph, and ensure that the rest of the paragraph illustrates this topic.

Body A – Discuss the opposing or weaker part(s) of an issue. It usually needs just 1 or 2 examples. You should begin with a *concession* transition.

Body B – Discuss the pro-thesis or strongest part of the argument. Don't go into your conclusion with a contradictory point; finish strongly! You should have at least 3 or 4 fully explained examples. In the first sentence, you should use a *contrast* transition and explain why Part B is more significant or convincing than Part A.

Conclusion – It must summarize the main ideas and provide a sense of resolution .

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Body B (e.g. Nevertheless, ...) _____

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