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BUILD YOUR PARAGRAPH

Opinion Writing Sentence Builder

Write one complete sentence for each signpost. Your proof is an example that shows your reason.

NAME _____ DATE _____ QUESTION I PICKED _____

GOAL: Use your opinion, 3 reasons, and 3 examples to explain your thinking clearly.

1	**Hook** Grab the reader.	Try: Have you ever...? / Imagine... / Did you know...?
2	**Opinion Statement** Tell what you think.	I think _____ because _____.
3	**1st Main Reason** Give your first reason.	First, _____.
4	**Proof / Example** Show your first reason.	For example, _____.
5	**2nd Main Reason** Give your second reason.	Second, _____.
6	**Proof / Example** Show your second reason.	For example, _____.
7	**3rd Main Reason** Give your third reason.	Third, _____.
8	**Proof / Example** Show your third reason.	For example, _____.
9	**Closing** End by reminding the reader of your opinion.	That is why I believe _____.

Remember: A proof/example tells what happened, what you saw, or what you know that supports your reason.

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FINAL DRAFT

Now Write Your Full Opinion Paragraph

Put your sentences together. Read it aloud when you finish.

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HELPFUL WORDS: First, Second, Third, For example, Also, That is why

My paragraph:

COPS Final Check

Check each box before you hand it in.

- [ ] C - I used capital letters at the start of sentences and for names.
- [ ] O - My sentence words make sense, and my ideas follow the framework.
- [ ] P - I used periods, question marks, commas, or exclamation marks.
- [ ] S - I checked sight words and tricky words.