

Introductory Paragraph for Expository Essay

The purpose of an expository introduction is to restate the prompt while grabbing the reader's attention and introduce the three main points. The three main points are determined by the prompt.

Topic Sentence: Create the topic sentence by beginning the sentence with a "Sweet 16" or a "Grabber/Hook" and restating the prompt.

An Example of an Expository Prompt:

In a multi-paragraph letter, explain to your teacher what you have learned (inside or outside of school) and why it is important.

An Example of a Topic Sentence using a "Sweet 16":

Although I have learned many things one of the most important was how to play basketball.

An Example of a Topic Sentence using "Grabber/Hook":

Have you ever wanted to be part of a team? One of the most important things I learned in school was how to play basketball.

An Example of Introducing the Three Points:

First of all I learned the skills needed to be a point guard. Equally important I learned teamwork. Finally I made many new friends.