

English Composition 1

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Title

Assignment 1

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The sentence that expresses the main idea, or point, of a paragraph is called the topic sentence. The topic sentence is usually (but not always) the first sentence in a paragraph. Experienced writers sometimes put topic sentences in other locations, but the best spot is usually right at the beginning.

A topic sentence contains both a topic and a controlling idea. It not only names the topic of the paragraph, but it also limits the topic to one specific area that can be discussed completely in the space of a single paragraph. The part of the topic sentence that announces the specific area to be discussed is called the controlling idea.

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2. Font: Times New Roman (or Arial/Calibri)
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