

Paragraphs

Paragraphs give your writing 'shape' and help you to organise your ideas. You should change paragraph when you change the focus of your writing. You need a new paragraph with a new...

TIME **PERSON** **TOPIC** **PLACE**

A new paragraph is used here for a change in time – it is later on in the same day.

Later on that same day, Lauren found herself looking over her shoulder. She couldn't shake the feeling that someone was watching her...

A new paragraph is used here for a change of speaker – each new speaker needs a new paragraph.

"Quiet!" she said suddenly. "Did you hear that?"

"Hear what?" asked her friend, taking out her earphones, clearly disgruntled at the interruption.

A new paragraph is used here for a change in topic – the story switches from a conversation to a description.

The rain was really starting to come down heavily and black clouds had closed in.

A new paragraph is used here for a change in place – the story moves from the school to the journey home.

Unlike the noise of school, the road was completely silent on the way home.