

Paragraph Rewrite #1

A bear came into the cabin. Someone told everyone to remain calm. Someone else called the police. The bear sniffed around the room. A person shouted and left the room. The bear did not seem to hear. He went into the kitchen. He smelled the food on the table. The police came just as the bear finished eating the last piece of food.

Directions: Rewrite the 9 sentences of the paragraph above following the requirements on the checklist below. Do not change the order of the sentences. You will, however, need to add a very short sentence (VSS) as a 10th sentence somewhere in the paragraph.

The final paragraph must be typed and MLA formatted. Work with your parent to edit your paragraph, and together, continue revising until you have completed the checklist below.

After you print your final copy, use a colored pen or pencil to label (#1-7) one example of each of the seven different sentence openers. See the numbering key on the checklist below.

Assignment Checklist

Rewrite Requirements

- paragraph has 10 complete sentences
- replace weak verbs with strong verbs
- replace general nouns/pronouns with specific nouns
- add at least 1 quality, descriptive adjective or adverb to each sentence and circle it. (circle only 1 per sentence)
- use all sentence openers at least once and label one example of each as:
 1. subject opener
 2. adverb opener
 3. prepositional phrase opener
 4. -ED participle opener
 5. -ING participle opener
 6. subordinating clause opener
 7. and add a very short sentence as an extra sentence in the paragraph

MLA Formatted Document

- Line spacing set to double (2.0)
- Paragraph spacing set to zero (0)
- 1 inch margins on all sides
- Times New Roman, 12-pt font
- Header w/Last Name and Page Number in upper right corner, ½ inch from top
- Student's Name, Tutor's Name, Course, and Date on first four lines, aligned left
- Date formatted like 15 August 2023
- Creative title centered on 5th line
- First line of ¶ indented by ½ inch

Submission

- Submit a printed copy of the final draft with this signed sheet stapled *behind* it.

I have verified that my student has followed all directions and included all components as shown on the checklist above.

Parent Signature: _____ Date _____