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| **Topic** sentence: \* (Answer to the question)  1 | | |
| **Example** from the story or specific from life  (story if possible)  2 | Example  4 | Example  6 |
| **Link** (Analysis)  Proves why your example supports your answer  3 | Link  5 | Link  7 |
| Conclusion restates topic sentence/ answer in new words  8 | | |

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| **A strong topic sentence** | **A weak topic sentence** |
| * Takes a side / states an opinion * Telling the truth is positive. | * Is a topic/ one word * Truth |
| * Is a complete sentence | * Asks another question * Is truth possible? |
| * Is proven with specific evidence and clear analysis * Example: John tells the truth to his family when he admits that the dog bit him. * Analysis: The dog now wears a cage over his face, so that may prevent future injuries to the dog or to other people. | * Is the moral of the story * Always tell the truth |
| * Is about human nature | * Is a stereotype or a cliché * The truth will set you free |

**Paragraph formatting reminders**

1. Intent the first line
2. Provide a title
3. All sentences in this paragraph stay side by side ie. No “Enter” button required
4. Double space your work