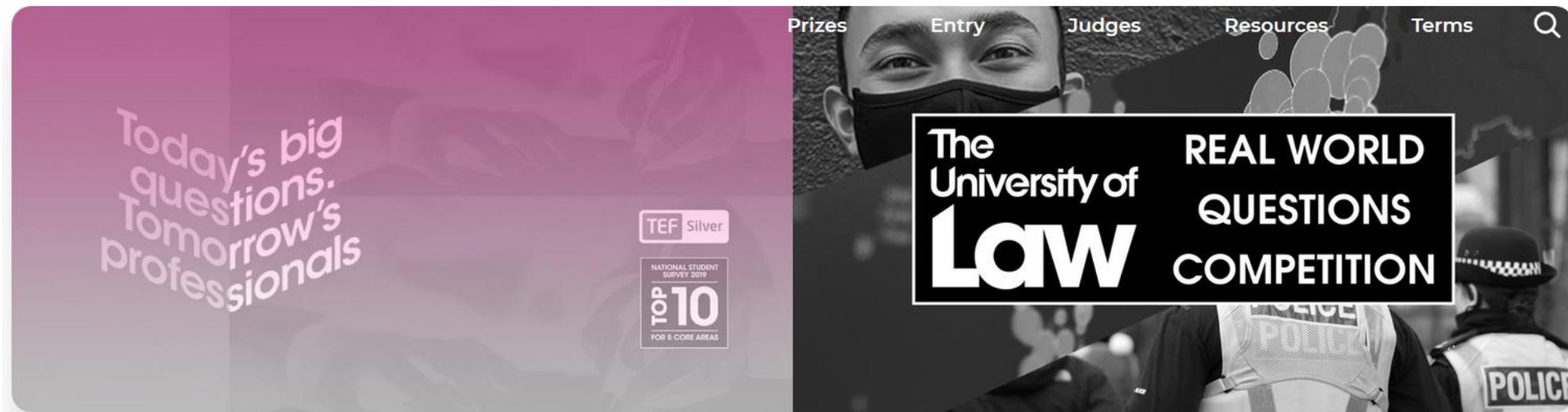


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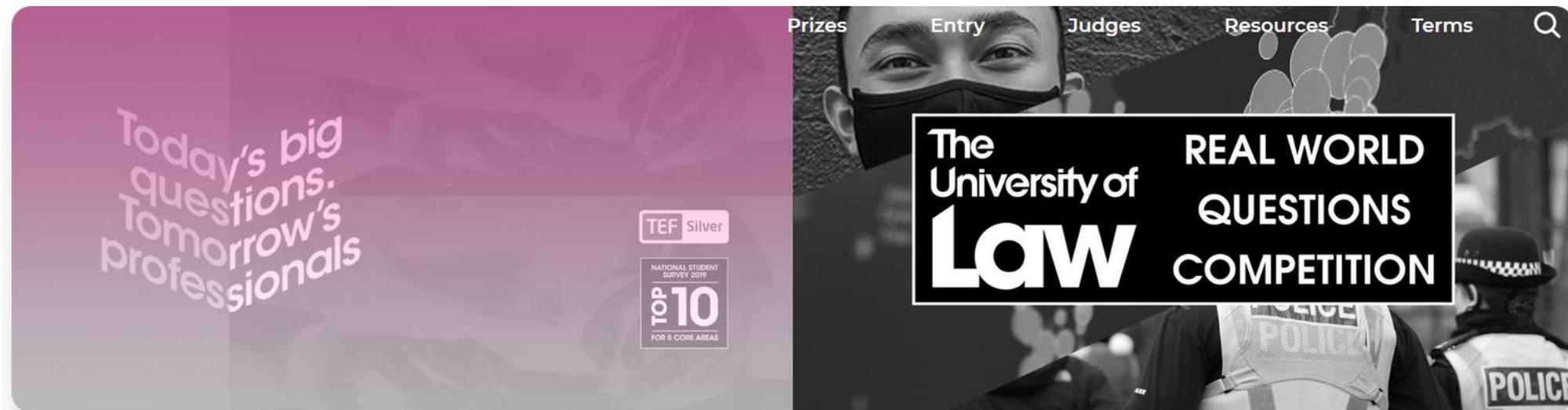


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Key Points of Today's Session

Plan an essay



Plan the structure



Plan the paragraphs



Plan the sentences



Punctuate properly



Avoid using unnecessary words





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Plan your structure

Look at the word count, plan the number of words you require for each section.

Introduction

The main body

Conclusion

Plan your structure

How many words are left for
the main body of the essay?

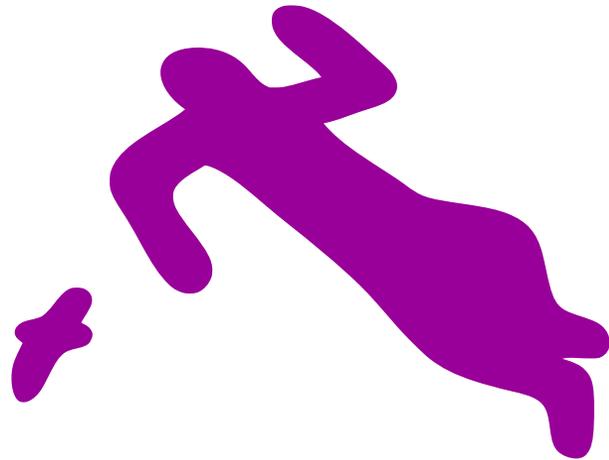
Between 700 and 1200!

Introduction - 150 words

The main body

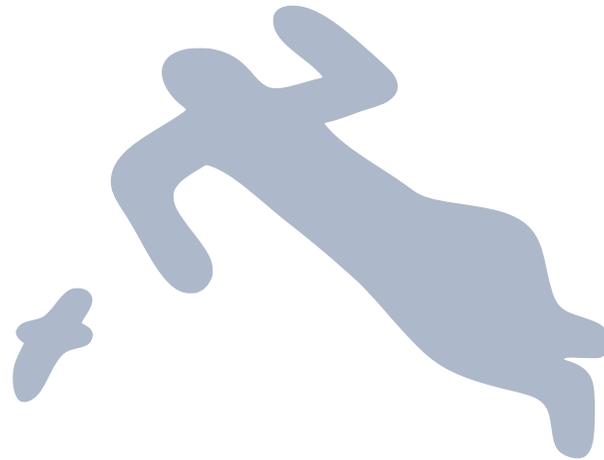
Conclusion - 150 words

Body
paragraph 1



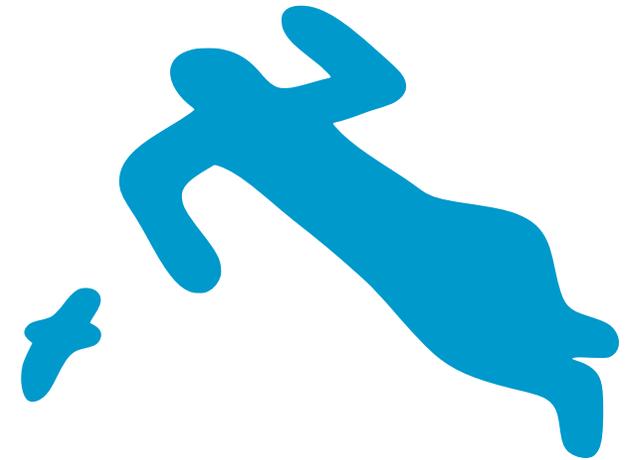
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Body
paragraph 2

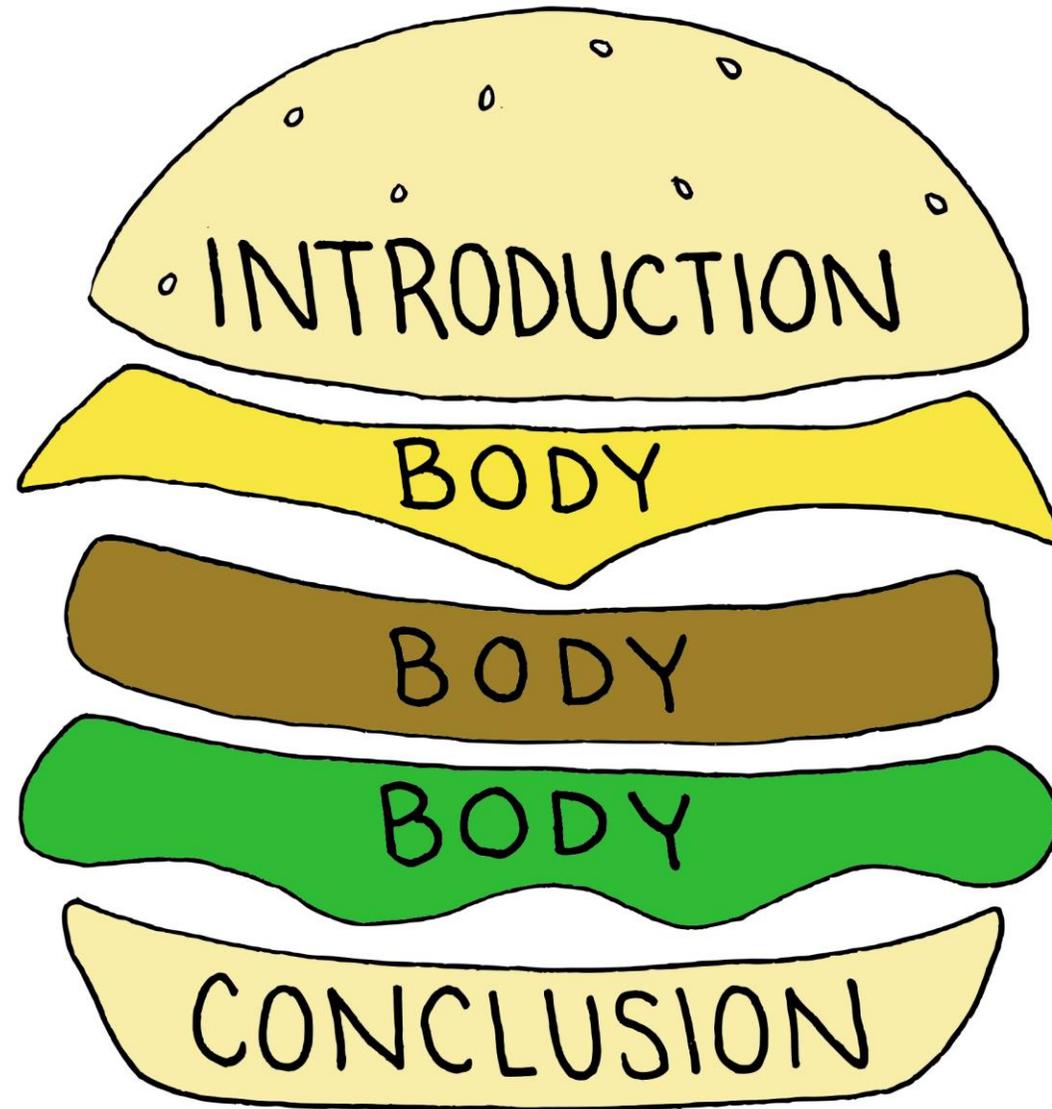


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Body
paragraph 3



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Question

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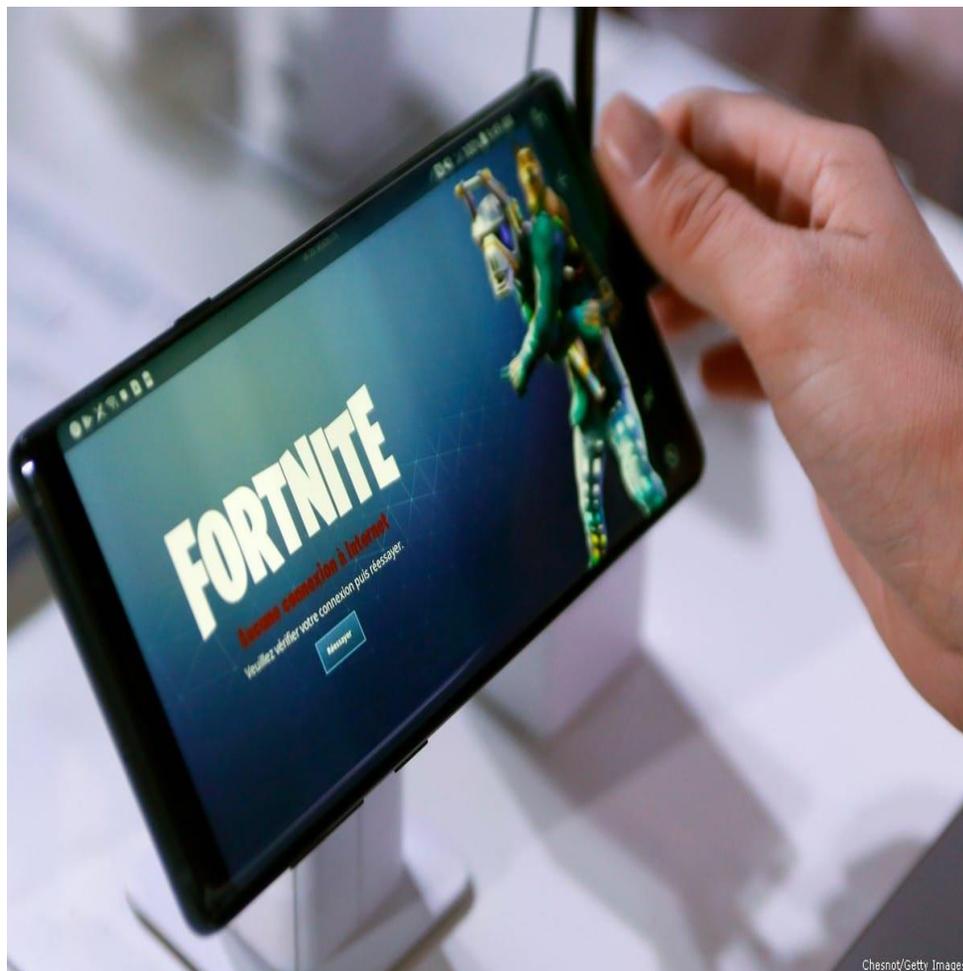
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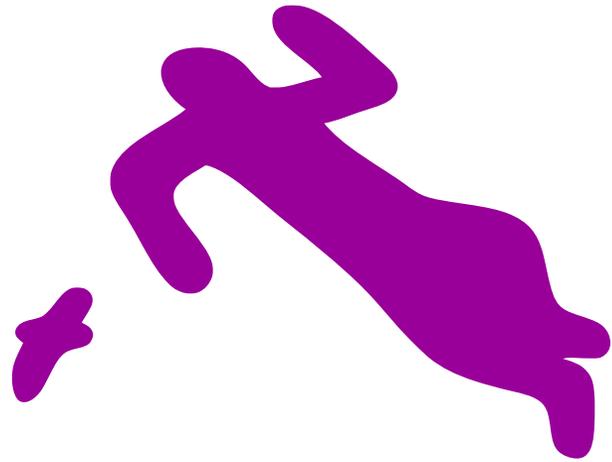


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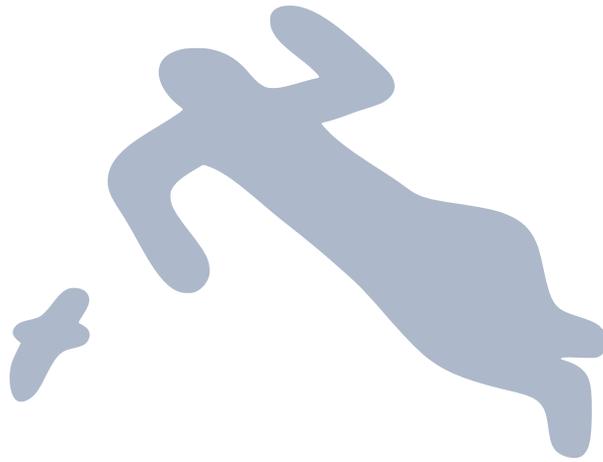
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Who's responsibility is it to make sure people know right from wrong?



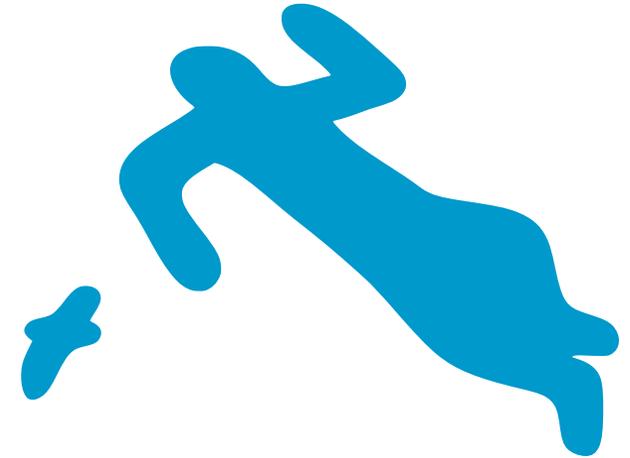
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Are violent crime rates in other countries comparable to ours?



300 words

The government could create an award in schools on responsible behaviour.



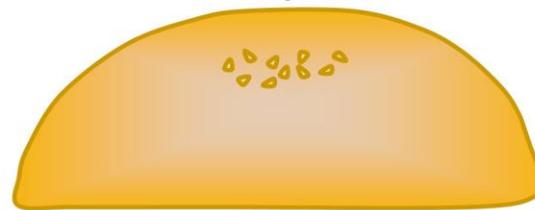
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Plan your paragraphs

Parts of a Paragraph

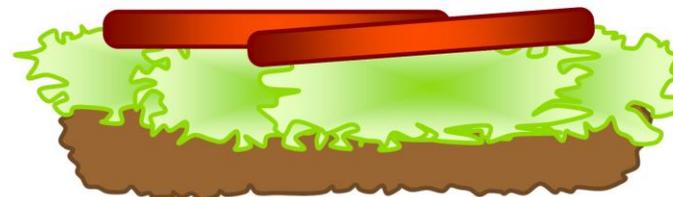
topic sentence

(top bun)



supporting details

(tomatoes, lettuce, and meat)



colourful vocabulary

(mustard, ketchup, and relish)



concluding sentence

(bottom bun)



Your Paragraph Should Include:

P

Point

Make
your point



E

Evidence

Back it up:
Support your
point with
evidence &
examples

E

Explanation

Explain how
the evidence
supports
your point

L

Link

Link this
point to the
next point in
the following
paragraph
or back to the
main question

TOPIC

SENTENCE

MAN



Do you think violent video games should be banned by the government?

1. If education about right and wrong was better delivered in schools and at home , the question of violence would not be a problem.
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3. Their only focus should be on creating games that the public will enjoy.

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Lets see if you can recognise the different sentences.

Re-order sentences 1-4 and post in the chat box.

The question asks “ Is there is a direct link between watching horror movies and committing violent crime?”



Remember to include - the topic sentence, supporting detail, colourful vocabulary and a concluding sentence.

Re-order these sentences

1. They argue that engaging in gruesome violence on screen desensitises them to the damage it can cause in every day life.
2. Many parents prohibit their children from engaging in online games.
3. Many people think there is a link between playing violent computer/video games and crime.
4. However, others argue that there is no link between the two because of the difference in the small rate of crime compared to amount of users playing games.

Answers

2, 1, 4, 3

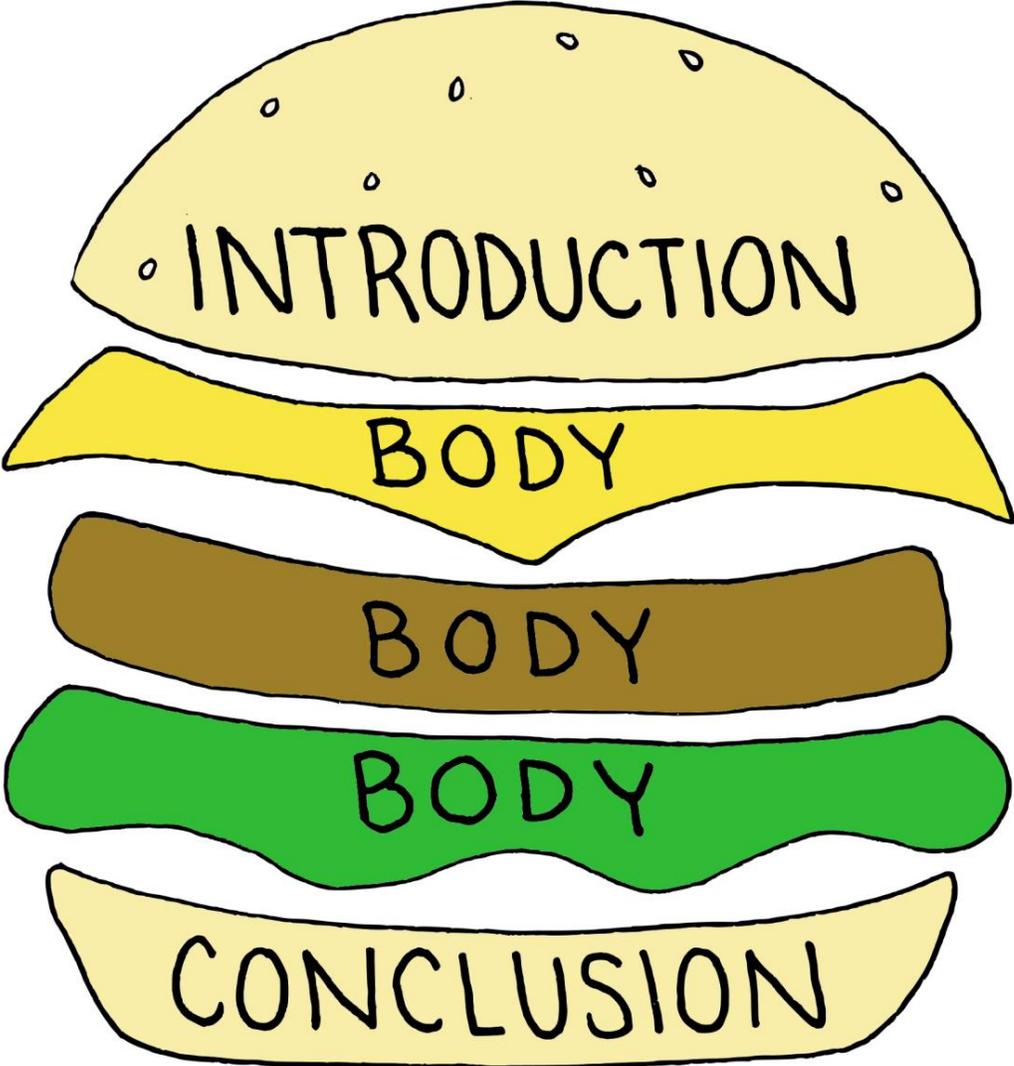
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3. Many parents prohibit their children from engaging in online games. **Concluding sentence**

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Points to note.

Remember that a complete sentence should equal one complete statement or idea.

Clear and concise wording can help create flow in your writing.

1. Select the sentence with the most concise structure

- a) New innovations proved to be successful.
- b) Innovations proved to be successful.

Correct answer – b) as ‘New’ can be deleted from a) because an innovation is new you do not need to tell the reader twice!

2. Select the sentence with the most concise structure

a) The end result of the trial was controversial.

b) The result of the trial was controversial.

Correct answer – b) as 'end' can be deleted from a) you guessed it – end and result have the same meaning.

3. Select the sentence with the most concise structure

- a) In the event that businesses remain closed, the government will need to consider further measures to extend the furlough scheme.
- b) If businesses remain closed, the government will need to consider further measures to extend the furlough scheme.

Correct answer – b) 'If' replaces 'In the event that'

4. Select the sentence with the most concise structure

a) Although the vaccination programme is on schedule, Covid-19 will continue to change ways that lawyers will work in the future.

b) In spite of the fact that the vaccination programme is on schedule, Covid-19 will continue to change ways that lawyers will work in the future.

Correct answer – a) 'Although' replaces 'In spite of the fact that'

Punctuate properly

Check that you are using punctuation correctly.

It is a good idea to learn more about punctuation if you struggle with it.

How? Well.....

Go to [do we have a resource?]



The Conclusion



The **conclusion** is where you summarise your argument and bring your essay to an end.

It generally contains no new material.

You restate your thesis statement - *If the government banned violent video games it is possible that we would start to see these levels of violence decrease.*

Summarise what you have said and

end with a strong statement.

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