

## Worksheet One

This worksheet accompanies *Paragraphs Unit One*.

### Beginning paragraphs in fiction

Can you identify why the author has chosen to start each new paragraph in this extract from *Pride and Prejudice*? Read the extract and then write the reasons from the box below next to the correct paragraph.

new character speaking (Kitty/Lydia)	new character's point of view
new character speaking (Mrs Bennet)	story moves forward in time

**Paragraph 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

The first week of their return was soon gone. The second began. It was the last of the regiment's stay in Meryton, and all the young ladies in the neighbourhood were drooping apace. The dejection was almost universal. The elder Miss Bennets alone were still able to eat, drink, and sleep, and pursue the usual course of their employments. Very frequently were they reproached for this insensibility by Kitty and Lydia, whose own misery was extreme, and who could not comprehend such hard-heartedness in any of the family.

**Paragraph 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

"Good Heaven! what is to become of us? What are we to do?" would they often exclaim in the bitterness of woe. How can you be smiling so, Lizzy?"

**Paragraph 3:** \_\_\_\_\_

Their affectionate mother shared all their grief; she remembered what she had herself endured on a similar occasion, five-and-twenty years ago.

**Paragraph 4:** \_\_\_\_\_

"I am sure," said she, "I cried for two days together when Colonel Miller's regiment went away. I thought I should have broken my heart."



## Worksheet Two

This worksheet accompanies *Paragraphs Unit One*.

### Beginning paragraphs in nonfiction

This student has started writing a film review but has forgotten to add paragraphs to his writing! Mark the text where a new paragraph should begin and write your reasons underneath the box.

#### ***Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire***

Was *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* as good as the previous three films? Millions have rushed to see the fourth film in the series during its first week in U.S. movie theatres. The story begins with Harry, Hermione and the Weasley family watching the Quidditch World Cup. Lord Voldemort's group of Death Eaters disrupt the fun, though, and terrify the magical community with the symbol of the Dark Mark. Back at Hogwarts School, things are no calmer for Harry as he gets mysteriously entered into the Triwizard Tournament. He is forced to compete against older, more skilled students and battle dragons, merpeople and other horrors. Many felt that the film was too long at 157 minutes, and it still didn't cover all of the material in the 734 page hardback novel! The special effects were the best yet, particularly the computer-generated dragons...



## Worksheet Three

This worksheet accompanies *Paragraphs Unit One*.

### Write your own paragraphs

Write some suitable sentences to begin these paragraphs.

1. A paragraph describing your bed for an essay about your bedroom.

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2. A paragraph describing your best friend for an essay about friendship.

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3. A paragraph to compare the skills of two celebrities for an essay on your idols.

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