Expository Writing

Expository Writing Graphic Organizer

My topic is__________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

It is interesting because______________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

Paragraph 1 will focus on this idea_______________________________________

Supporting details are:_________________________________________________

Paragraph 2 will focus on this idea_______________________________________

Supporting details are:_________________________________________________

Paragraph 3 will focus on this idea_______________________________________

Supporting details are:_________________________________________________

Paragraph 4 will focus on this idea_______________________________________

Supporting details are:_________________________________________________

My concluding paragraph leaves the reader satisfied because______________________________________

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Checklist:
All paragraphs relate to the main topic________
All paragraph concluding sentences lead to the next detail in the next paragraph_____
My conclusion includes a good wrap up and completes the writing_____
Each topic paragraph includes relevant supporting details_____

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Expository Writing: How To
Here are a few guidelines to remember.

Expository writing is used to:
- describe
- inform
- explain

Expository writing samples include:
- autobiographies
- biographies
- informational reports
- news reports
- research reports

The introductory paragraph should:
- be catchy and make the reader want to read it
- be very clear about the topic
- provide good details in the last sentence that lead into the next paragraph

The body—3–5 paragraphs:
- each paragraph should focus on one of your key points and should develop that key point, the final sentence of that key point should lead into the next point which will become your next paragraph
- each paragraph will need an introductory sentence, each paragraph needs to stay on topic

The body—3–5 paragraphs:
- each paragraph should focus on one of your key points
- always stay on topic
- be sure to use great vocabulary, keep your reader engaged
- be sure to back up all of your key points with supporting detail(s)

The conclusion:
- the conclusion is your final paragraph, it is where you re-state your topic
- be sure to summarize all of your topics in each paragraph
- finish with pizzazz! Leave your reader pleased and satisfied

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Name______________________________

News Story:
Research a news story that happened and put it into your own words.

Who was involved:______________________________

What happened:______________________________

When and where did it happen:______________________________

Why did it happen:______________________________

What started it or how did it happen:______________________________
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Name__________________

Graphic Organizer for Essays

Attention Getter______________________________________

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What you will prove________________________________

______________________________________

Background Information________________________________

______________________________________

Supporting Evidence (3 or 4)__________________________

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______________________________________

Wrap-up/Conclusion________________________________

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Autobiography on:

Where and when I was born:

My Important Accomplishments:

About my family and pets:

Education:

My interests:
RULES OF THE GAME

Explain the rules of a game. It can be any kind of game, such as a sport, a card game or a board game. Explain it so that someone who has never played it will understand it. Be sure and include what kind of equipment is needed. There is also a space for you to add pictures.
My Hometown

In the space below, write about your hometown. How big is it? What are some interesting facts about it? What is the climate and geography like? There is also a space for you to add pictures.
What are the features of **INFORMATIVE WRITING**?

**Structure:**
- clear opening
- general information about the topic
- more specific information
- summarising conclusion
- interesting, easy to read layout

**Language features:**
- present tense
- first person or third person (depends on topic - can be personal)
- connectives to make it clear and coherent
- mostly facts (but can contain opinion if it's a personal text)
- rhetorical questions to engage reader's interest
- specific examples
- bullet point summaries may be appropriate