

## Extended Paragraph Pattern

➤ Remember, use 8 sentences or more in the BODY paragraphs of your essays.

1. Topic sentence (must state an opinion).
2. ~~Concrete detail (CD)~~: a fact from the text. Begin with ~~"For example,"~~ or another introductory phrase.
3. **Commentary (CM)**: connect the CD to your topic sentence. "This shows that..."
4. **Commentary (CM)**: explain the detail further. (This is the point-winner.)
5. ~~CD~~: ~~Another fact~~ from the text. Begin with an ~~internal transition~~ such as ~~"Furthermore,"~~
6. **CM**
7. **CM**
8. Closing Sentence: Close your paragraph.