

How to Match Paragraphs to Statements?

Worksheet

Matching paragraphs involves scanning paragraphs for specific information (facts, opinions, examples) and linking them to provided statements. Each paragraph can match multiple statements.

Questions

1. Paragraph A discusses: 'The technology emerged in the 1990s.' Statement: 'The innovation originated in the late 20th century.' Match?

- A) Yes, exact match
- B) Yes, synonymous match
- C) No, different time period
- D) Not enough information

2. When matching paragraphs, how many statements can one paragraph match?

- A) Only one
- B) Two at most
- C) Multiple
- D) Depends on paragraph length

3. Statement: 'Experts recommend limiting consumption to once weekly.' Paragraph: 'Nutritionists advise moderation. Weekly intake is considered safe.' Match?

- A) Yes, perfect match
- B) No, not specific enough
- C) Maybe, needs context
- D) Unclear recommendation

4. What is the first step in paragraph matching?

- A) Read paragraphs carefully
- B) Identify keywords in statements
- C) Randomly guess matches
- D) Read only headings

5. Statement: 'The species adapted to cold climates over millions of years.' Scan paragraphs for mentions of evolutionary adaptation to temperature.

6. Statement: 'Food sources fluctuate depending on the time of year.' Scan for seasonal diet variation.

7. Statement: 'The creature requires a dormant period to survive winter.' Scan for hibernation or inactivity.

8. Define: What is paragraph matching?

9. Define: Can multiple statements match one paragraph?

10. Define: Is paragraph matching the same as matching headings?

Answer Key

1. B) Yes, synonymous match — '1990s' and 'late 20th century' are equivalent. This is a valid match.
2. C) Multiple — Unlike headings, paragraphs often contain multiple relevant ideas and can match multiple statements.
3. A) Yes, perfect match — The paragraph supports the 'once weekly' recommendation with expert backing. Valid match.
4. B) Identify keywords in statements — Identifying keywords in statements first helps you scan paragraphs more efficiently.
5. Identify keywords: 'adapted,' 'cold,' 'evolution' Scan paragraphs for discussion of temperature adaptation Match paragraph discussing evolutionary history in arctic conditions Link statement to matching paragraph letter/number
6. Keywords: 'food,' 'seasons,' 'fluctuate' Find paragraph discussing seasonal hunting or feeding patterns Confirm it discusses diet changes across seasons Record the paragraph match
7. Keywords: 'dormant,' 'winter,' 'hibernate' Locate paragraph detailing rest or inactivity strategies Ensure it links rest to winter survival Match and record
8. A reading task where you connect paragraphs to specific statements or descriptions about their content.
9. Yes, unlike matching headings. A paragraph can contain several relevant pieces of information.
10. No. Headings summarize main ideas; paragraphs match specific details, facts, or opinions.

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