

# Shaping the Body Paragraphs

## Body Paragraph #1:

1. **Topic Sentence** (thesis + example)
2. **Concrete Detail** (a **specific** example that relates to the topic sentence)
3. **Commentary** (a sentence explains and/or provides additional information for the concrete detail)
4. **Commentary** (another sentence that continues to explain the concrete detail)
5. **Summary Sentence** (a sentence that concludes the paragraph and refers back to the topic sentence)

## Body Paragraph #2:

1. **Topic Sentence** (thesis + qualification)
2. **Concrete Detail** (a **specific** details related to your topic sentence)
3. **Commentary** (a sentence explains and/or provides additional information for the concrete detail)
4. **Commentary** (another sentence that continues to explain the concrete detail)
5. **Summary Sentence** (a sentence that concludes the paragraph and refers back to the topic sentence)

**Thesis Statement**

**Topic Sentence #1**

**Topic Sentence #2**

**Concrete Detail**

**Concrete Detail**

**Commentary**

**Summary Sentence**

**Commentary**

**Summary Sentence**