

英文寫作基礎

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CHAPTER 3: SUPPORTING DETAILS

Fundamentals of English Writing
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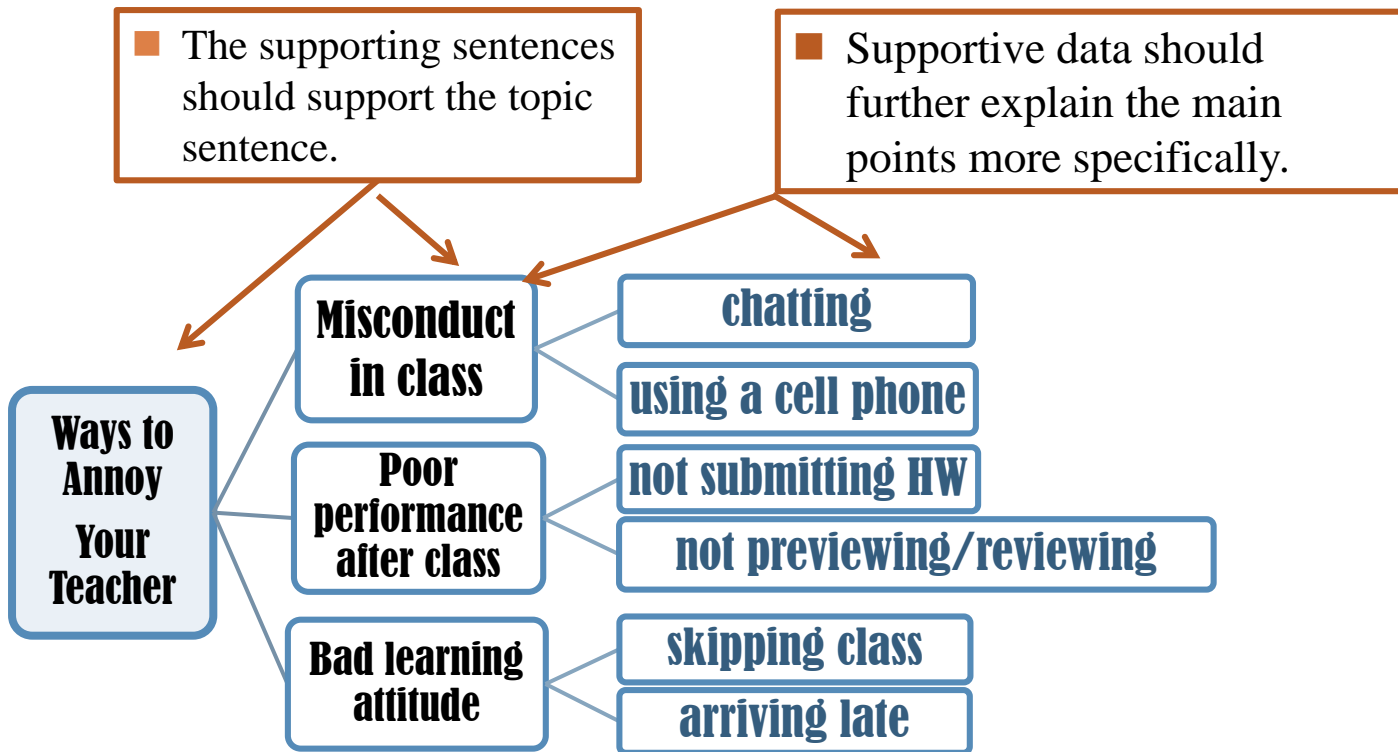
PARAGRAPH STRUCTURE

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- Opening / Hook (optional)
- Topic Sentence
- Supporting Sentences
 - Point 1
 - *Supportive data*
 - Point 2
 - *Supportive data*
 - Point 3
 - *Supportive data*
- Concluding Sentence
- Closure (optional)

SUPPORTIVE DATA

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DIFFERENT KINDS OF SUPPORTIVE DATA

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- Supportive data is a crucial part of academic writing.

- *personal experiences*
- *examples*
- *statistics*
- *factual information*
- *expert opinion*

**Method 1:
Summarizing**

**Method 2:
Paraphrasing**

Method 3: Quoting

**Avoiding
Plagiarism:
In-text citation
Bibliography**

Direct quotation

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Information

Who: pre-med student Alma

Quotation: I missed being on campus, but I had to work and took care of my family.

Reporting verb: said

Source: Frank Antony

Direct Quotation

- Pre-med student Alma **said**, “**I** missed being on campus, but I had to work and took care of my family” (qtd. In Frank Antony, 2009, p. 23).

Direct ↔ Indirect quotation

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Direct

- Pre-med student Alma **said**, “**I** missed being on campus, but I had to work and took care of my family” (qtd. In Frank Antony, 2009, p. 23).

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that

**Change
pronouns**

Indirect

Pre-med student Alma said that despite the fact **that he had had** the desire to continue studying, **he had decided** not to because of the need to look after **his** family (qtd. In Frank Antony, 2009, p. 23).

**Change
tense**

Tense Rules:

- ▣ If the reporting verb is *simple present*, *present perfect*, or *future*
- ▣ When using *according to*
 - *The teacher said, “If you don’t come to class, you will fail.”*
 - ***According to*** the teacher, you will fail if you don’t come to class.
- ▣ When quoting *a fact or a general truth*
 - He said that rice **is** the main diet in Taiwan.

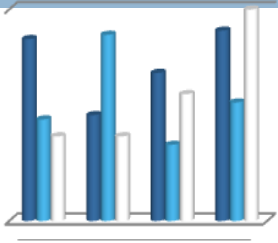
Statistics

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- Statistics are good supportive details.
- Citations of the sources are also needed for statistical data.
- The chart/ table/ figure has to speak for itself.
 - ✎ The stressed point must be obvious and clear.
 - ✎ Keep the research purpose and the aim of illustration in mind in order to choose an appropriate type of illustration.

Statistics 2

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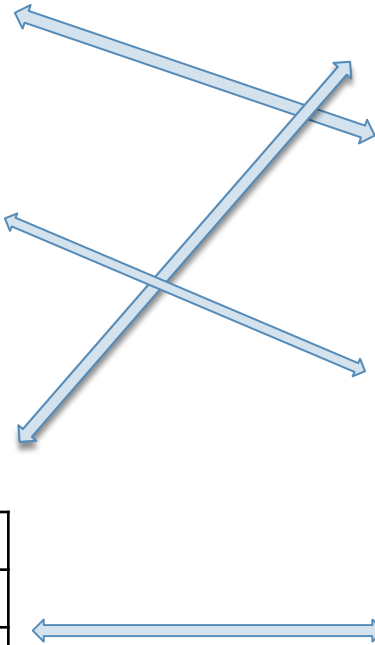
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1A	14	16	18	11
2A	4	9	8	7
3A	y	n	n	y

How teenagers spend their money

Obesity problem around the world

Population growth in the future

Students' attitudes towards school subjects



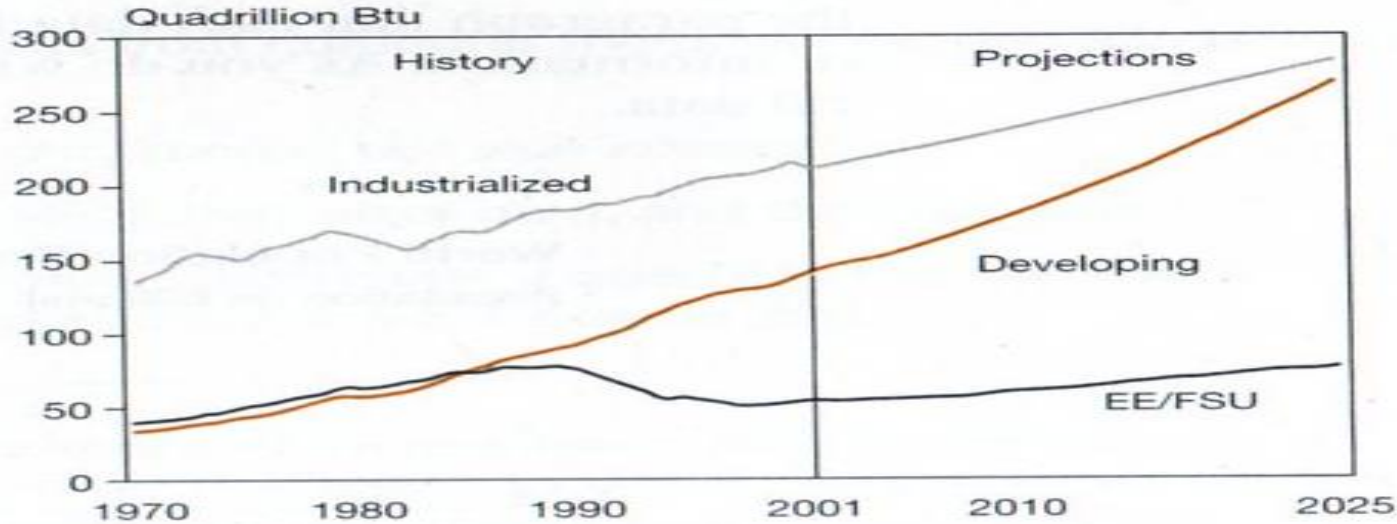




Figure 2. World Marketed Energy Consumption by Region, 1970–2025 📄

- ❑ According to statistics from the Energy Information Administration, the amount of world energy consumption has been steadily rising.
- ❑ The largest consumers are the industrialized countries, while the EE/FSU group consumes the least.

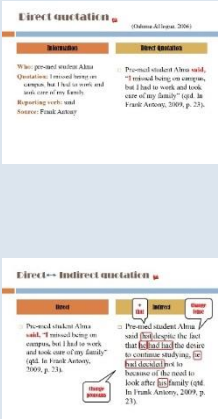

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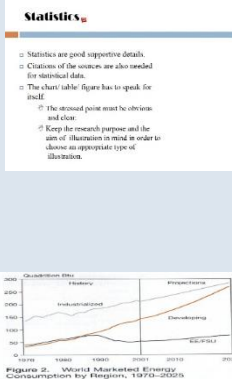

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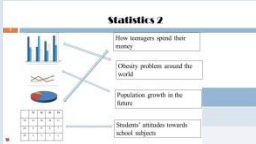

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