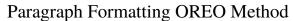




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## How to Format a Paragraph

- Every sentence in your paragraph should build on your main point with supporting evidence. The OREO method helps you organize your ideas, just like the layers of a cookie, with each part contributing to a well-rounded paragraph.
  - O Opinion (Top Cookie)
    - Introduce your paragraph's main idea with a clear, focused claim.
      - Example: "Oreos are a top snack for college students during study sessions."
  - R Reason (Cream)
    - Provide quotes, facts, and evidence to back up your topic sentence and support the main point.
      - Example: "A recent survey shows that 65% of college students prefer Oreos while studying (Sarah, 2020)."
  - E Explanation (Cream)
    - Explain how the evidence supports your topic sentence and strengthens your claim.
      - Example: "This shows that Oreos are both a tasty and comforting choice."
  - O Opinion (Bottom Cookie)
    - Wrap up by linking back to your main idea and setting up the next paragraph if needed.
      - Example: "Oreos have become a college study staple for good reason."

O	( <b>Opinion</b> ): The main idea or claim:
R	(Reason): Provide quotes, facts, and evidence to support the main idea:
E	(Example): Explanation supporting the reason:
O	(Opinion): Restate or reinforce the original opinion:



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