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LESSON 21

Expository Essay

Revise



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**Beginning**

1. Write a beginning sentence to **introduce your topic**.
(Ask a question or make a statement about the activity.)
2. **Name the supplies** needed for the activity.

**Middle**

1. **Explain the steps** on how to do the activity.
2. Include **time-order words** to connect the steps.



**Ending**

1. Write a starting sentence that **tells why you like the activity** or **why others might like it**.
2. **Add 2 or 3 good reasons** to explain the first sentence.

Review

Where were we last time?

- ◆ Alice wrote the first draft of her expository essay about how to plant a flower.

- ◆ She finished the  step. Now she is going to .



Beginning

I can teach you how to grow a flower. you need a pot, some potting soil, and a flower seed. you also need water and sunlight.

Middle

Put some potting soil in a clay pot. Next, make a little hole in the dirt. Plant a seed. Cover it up with dirt. Now put the pot near a sunny window. Then give the seed a little water every day. Soon, a tiny, green plant will grow. Be sure it gets sunlight and water. A flower will bloum.

Ending

I like growing flowers because they are pretty. It is fun to watch them grow. When they bloum, I pick them for my mom.

Today we'll learn...

The Writing Process of an Expository Essay

Revise

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Let's Learn

When we **revise**, we try to make our essay better. Be sure that...



Each sentence gives **a clear idea**.



The ideas are **in the correct order** and **easy to follow**.



You **sound confident and excited** about your topic.

I can teach you how to grow a flower.
you need a pot, some potting soil, and a flower
seed. you also need water and sunlight.

Put some potting soil in a clay pot. Next, make
a little hole in the dirt. Plant a seed. Cover it up
with dirt. Now put the pot near a sunny window.
Then give the seed a little water every day. Soon,
a tiny, green plant will grow. Be sure it gets
sunlight and water. A pretty flower will bloum.

Read the essay out
loud and pay attention to
the highlighted parts.
Did they give a clear idea?

Beginning

Middle

Ending



I can teach you how to grow a flower.
you need a ^{clay} pot, some potting soil, and a flower
seed. you also need water and sunlight.

Put some potting soil in a clay pot. Next, make
a little hole in the dirt. ^{Drop a flower seed into the hole.}
~~Plant a seed.~~ Cover it up
with dirt. Now put the pot near a sunny window.
Then give the seed a little water every day. Soon,
a tiny, green plant will grow. Be sure it gets
sunlight and water. A pretty flower will bloum.

I made these changes to
make my ideas clearer.

▶ Beginning

▶ Middle

▶ Ending



Put some potting soil in a clay pot. Next, make a little hole in the dirt. **Drop a flower seed into the hole.** Plant a seed. Cover it up with dirt. Now put the pot near a sunny window. Then give the seed a little water every day. Soon, a tiny, green plant will grow. Be sure it gets sunlight and water. A pretty flower will bloum.

Look for sentences that lack a **time-order word**.

Time-Order Words

- first
- now
- soon
- next
- then
- finally

Beginning**Middle****Ending**

First,

Put some potting soil in a clay pot. Next, make
a little hole in the dirt. Drop a flower seed into the hole.
Plant a seed. Cover it up
with dirt. Now put the pot near a sunny window.
Then give the seed a little water every day. Soon,
a tiny, green plant will grow. Be sure it gets
sunlight and water. Finally, A pretty flower will bloum.

I added two time-order words to make the steps easier to follow.

Beginning

Middle

Ending



Let's Think

Does Alice sound **confident** and **excited**?

Voice



I can teach you how to grow a flower.
you need a ^{clay} pot, some potting soil, and a flower
seed. you also need water and sunlight.

First,

Put some potting soil in a clay pot. Next, make
a little hole in the dirt. ^{Drop a flower seed into the hole.} Plant a seed. Cover it up
with dirt. Now put the pot near a sunny window.
Then give the seed a little water every day. Soon,
a tiny, green plant will grow. Be sure it gets
sunlight and water. ^{Finally,} A pretty flower will bloum.

What sentence can you
add here to make Alice
sound more confident?



Beginning



Middle



Ending



I can teach you how to grow a flower.
you need a ^{clay} pot, some potting soil, and a flower
seed. ^{Then just follow the steps.} you also need water and sunlight. ^

First, ^

Put some potting soil in a clay pot. Next, make
a little hole in the dirt. ^{Drop a flower seed into the hole.} Plant a seed. Cover it up
with dirt. Now put the pot near a sunny window.

Then give the seed a little water every day. Soon,
a tiny, green plant will grow. Be sure it gets
sunlight and water. ^{Finally,} A pretty flower will bloum.

I added a sentence
that helps me sound
more confident.

▶ Beginning

▶ Middle

▶ Ending



Let's Do

Help revise this paragraph.

First, prepare your equipment. Find a fishing spot. Then throw the line and be patient. Now bait your hook. Pull the line and then remove the fish from the hook. Put your fish in the bucket.



Can you add some words to make it better?



Let's Do

Check the answers.

First, prepare your equipment. Find a ^{good} fishing spot. Then throw the line and be patient. Now bait your hook. ^{Quickly} Pull the line and then remove the fish from the hook. Put your fish in the bucket.



Organization

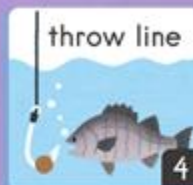
Can you add time-order words or change the sentence order?



Let's Do

Check the answers.

First, prepare your equipment. ^{Next,} Find ^{good} a fishing spot. Then throw the line and be patient. ^{Quickly} Now bait your hook. Pull the line and then ^{Finally,} remove the fish from the hook. Put your fish in the bucket.



Can you change or add sentences to sound more confident and excited?



First, prepare your equipment. ^{Next,} Find ^{good} a fishing spot. Then throw the line and be patient. ^{Quickly} Now bait your hook. Pull the line and then ^{Finally,} remove the fish from the hook. Put your fish in ^{Now you're a great angler!} the bucket.



Now check all the revised changes!



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You **sound confident and excited** about your topic.