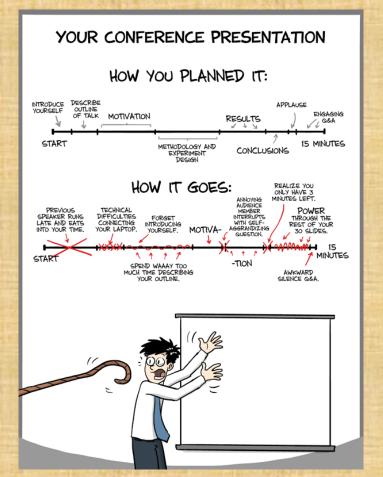
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Introduction to English for Scientific Communication

Lesson 3











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We are not talking of a specific brain, but of an ideal brain (a brain that possess all the things a brain should). Therefore, it is not 'a brain' (it is not one of many), but 'the brain'

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This is plural, so 'a' is not possible. [none] is most likely because there are many possible interactions, and we are only interested in the subset involved in synchronous activity

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You cannot define 'which neurons?' because at any given time only some of the neurons will be involved in the required interactions.

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You cannot use 'a'! You could say:

There is a circle positioned at the centre of each cell

However, using 'a' in the top sentence implies there is more then one circle in the centre at the cell indicating its population (but no information is given about which circle has the shading). Therefore, we can only understand the sentence with 'the'.

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You can only choose one energy unit in a study, as all other energy units are naturally only a linear multiplications of the unit we chose.

If you use 'an energy unit' it implies that we are nominating $\hbar\omega_D$ as an energy unit, which is something we do not have the power to do. It is naturally useable as such.

Review - Preserve

Example: The question of why this symmetry is preserved has not been answered.

The main thing to remember about *preserve* is that it is used with regard to *existence* only. Also, note that no agent is needed to cause the preservation.

Review - Maintain

Example: A constant flux is maintained during the operation by appropriately altering the driving force.

The verb *maintain* expresses the idea of preventing change. It also implies that some agent actively carries out this process. Further, it is usually used with regard to a state or process.

Review - Retain

Example: This new form of the theory retains several features of the original form.

The main idea of *retain* is one of continued possession. In fact, in most situations, *retain* can be replaced by *continue to possess* with no change of meaning. Also note that no agent is needed for this purpose, but in some cases, such an agent may exist.

Review - Conserve

Example: In this case, the energy of the system is conserved.

Conserve is similar to maintain in that it expresses the idea that some thing is unchanged. However, it differs in two important ways. First, the action expressed by conserve does not require an agent. Second, while maintain generally is used with regard to a process or state, conserve is usually used with regard to a quantity.

Review 'By'

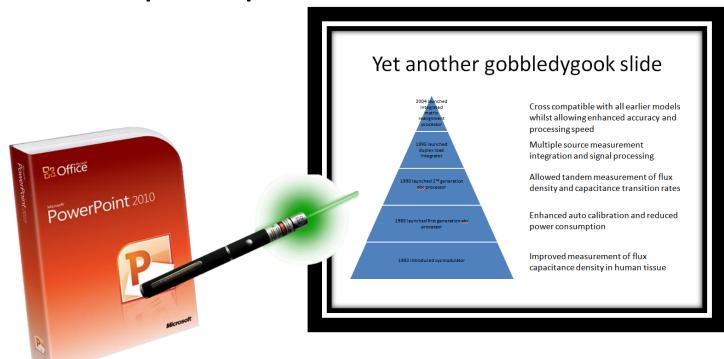
Most common type of mistake:

Use of by in passive sentences to introduce a "tool" used for some purpose.

Review 'By'

"The talk was presented by powerpoint." Meaning:

Powerpoint presented the talk.



Review 'By'

Revised

"The talk was presented (by me) using powerpoint."

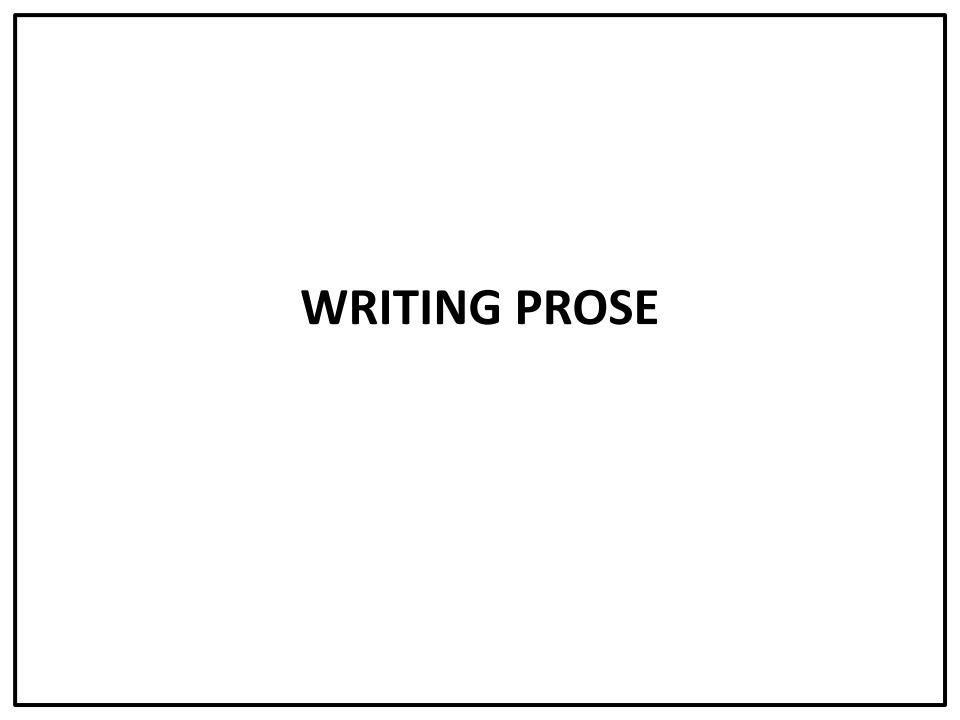




Review - The structure of a paragraph

The paragraph has the following structure:

- 1. The topic sentence
- 2. Supporting points
 - a. Supporting point 1 (+ Supporting detail)
 - b. Supporting point 2 (+ Supporting detail)
 - c. Supporting point 3 (+ Supporting detail)
- 3. Concluding Remark



From 1 paragraph to many

- Last week we learned about writing a paragraph
- Next, it is necessary to learn about writing a collection of paragraphs (a short essay.)
- We will study the how to write a collection of paragraphs together to make an interesting text (these rules also hold for presentations).

Let's go to the Zoo



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 (Otherwise they will run wild.)





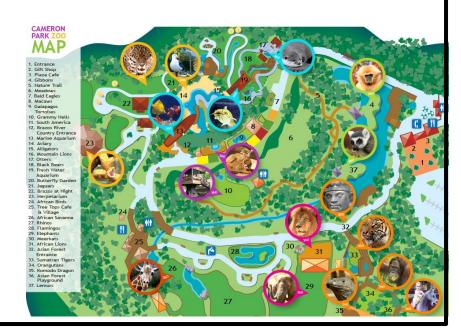
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Where should we visit?



Where should we visit: All Animals?



Where should we visit: African Animals?



Where should we visit: Big Cats?



Where should we visit: Big cats & their food? CAMERON 1. Entrance 2. Gift Shop 3. Plaza Cafe 4. Gibbons 5. Nature Trail 6. Meadows 7. Bald Eagles 8. Macaws 9. Galapagos Tortoises 10. Grammy Nells 11. South America 12. Brazos River Country Entrance 13. Marine Aguarium 23 14. Aviary 15. Alligators 16. Mountain Lions 17. Otters 18. Black Bears 19. Fresh Water Seems good to me Aquarium 20. Butterfly Garden 21. Jaguars 22. Brazos at Night 23. Herpetarium 24. African Birds 25. Tree Tops Cafe & Village 26. African Savanna 27. Rhinos 28. Flamingos 29. Elephants 30. Meerkats 31. African Lions 32. Asian Forest Entrance 33. Sumatran Tigers 34. Orangutans 35. Komodo Dragon 36. Asian Forest Playground 37. Lemurs 27

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Young child = Reader / Listener

You know much more than them (about your research), don't assume too much knowledge and always be sure to take them with you => Use simple language



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People only have a limit ability to focus, and a limited capacity to take in new information, so giving too much information will make a bad paper where no one will understand your important point





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Though you have important things to tell people, remember that they are very specific





3) They like cats

The audience interests are very important for to be considered when deciding the content of any paper or talk





Where should we visit:



Where should we visit: Big cats & their food?

What order should they go in?



Where should we visit: Big cats & their food?



Use the tiger to introduce big cats and the general characteristics of their teeth



Introduce the lion and his wonderful teeth



Use the giraffe to explain how the lion uses its teeth

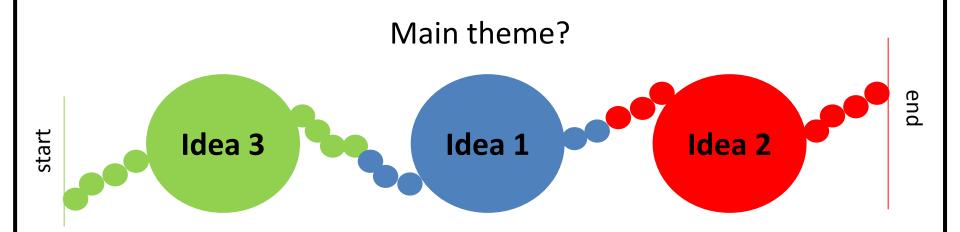
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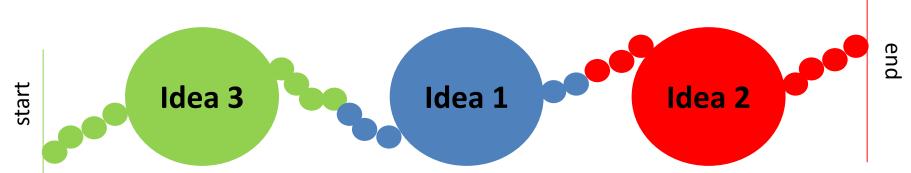
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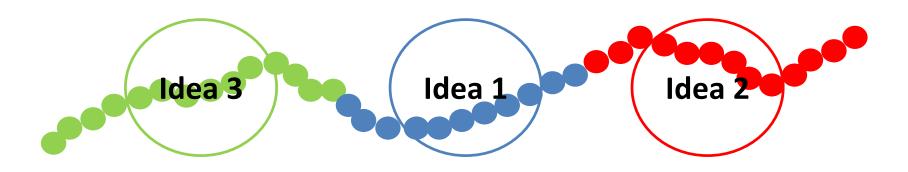
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- 4) Review to make sure all the topics follow on Main theme?



What are the basic building blocks of a paper?



- The small circles represent individual topics.
- Therefore, each circle represents a paragraph!

Remember the following

- Start big and work small as this means you know your start and end point.
- Always check at each stage to make sure that the ideas are well structured and have a sensible order

Now it's your turn.

Distribution of sheet

Any Questions?

Hand out homework 3 – this is due on Tuesday 12th May