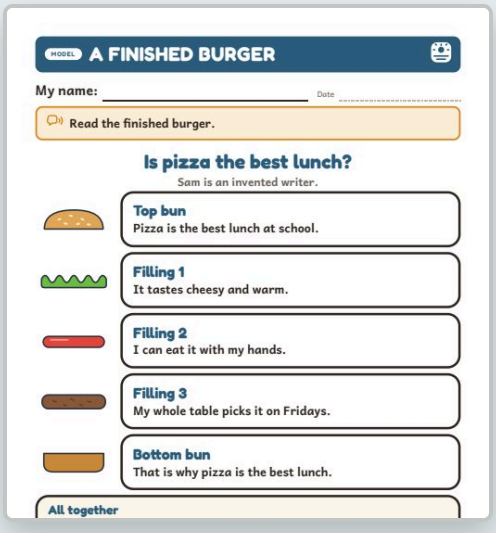
WRITING · GRADES 2–4

3 KINDS

HAMBURGER PARAGRAPH WRITING

Top bun, three fillings, bottom bun: plan and draft an informative, opinion and narrative paragraph. Fillable PDF.


MODEL · A FINISHED BURGER

My name: _____ Date _____

Read the finished burger.

Is pizza the best lunch?

Sam is an invented writer.

Top bun
Pizza is the best lunch at school.

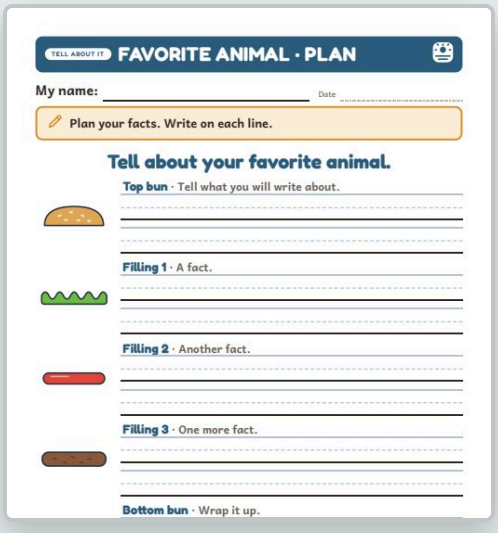
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It tastes cheesy and warm.

Filling 2
I can eat it with my hands.

Filling 3
My whole table picks it on Fridays.

Bottom bun
That is why pizza is the best lunch.

All together


TELL ABOUT IT · FAVORITE ANIMAL · PLAN

My name: _____ Date _____

Plan your facts. Write on each line.

Tell about your favorite animal.

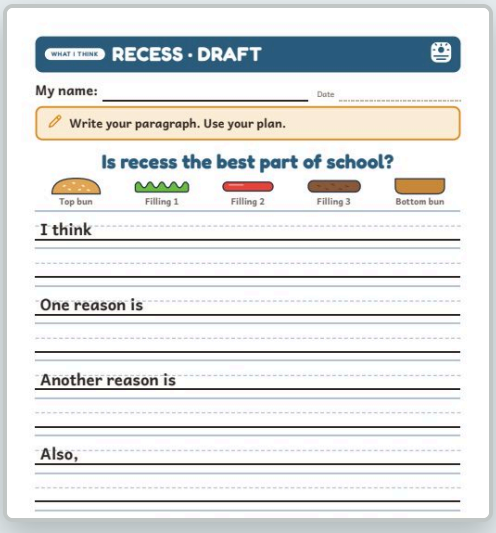
Top bun · Tell what you will write about.

Filling 1 · A fact.

Filling 2 · Another fact.

Filling 3 · One more fact.

Bottom bun · Wrap it up.


WHAT I THINK · RECESS · DRAFT

My name: _____ Date _____

Write your paragraph. Use your plan.

Is recess the best part of school?

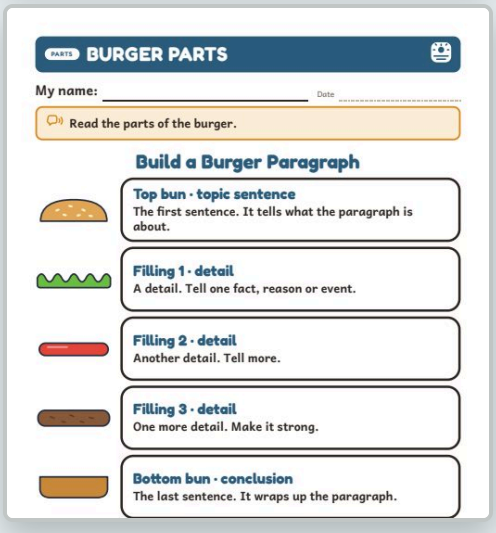
Top bun · Filling 1 · Filling 2 · Filling 3 · Bottom bun

I think

One reason is

Another reason is

Also,


PARTS · BURGER PARTS

My name: _____ Date _____

Read the parts of the burger.

Build a Burger Paragraph

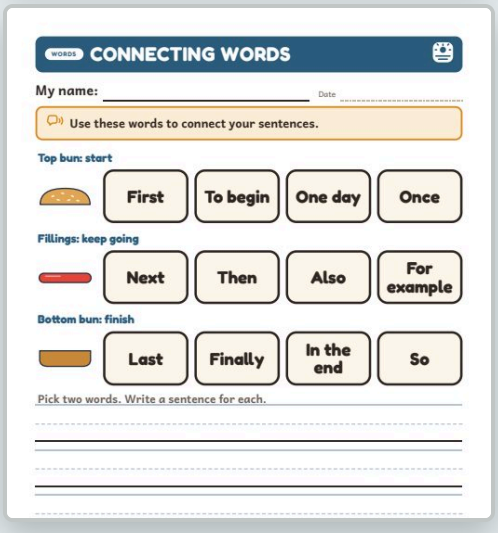
Top bun · topic sentence
The first sentence. It tells what the paragraph is about.

Filling 1 · detail
A detail. Tell one fact, reason or event.

Filling 2 · detail
Another detail. Tell more.

Filling 3 · detail
One more detail. Make it strong.

Bottom bun · conclusion
The last sentence. It wraps up the paragraph.


WORDS · CONNECTING WORDS

My name: _____ Date _____

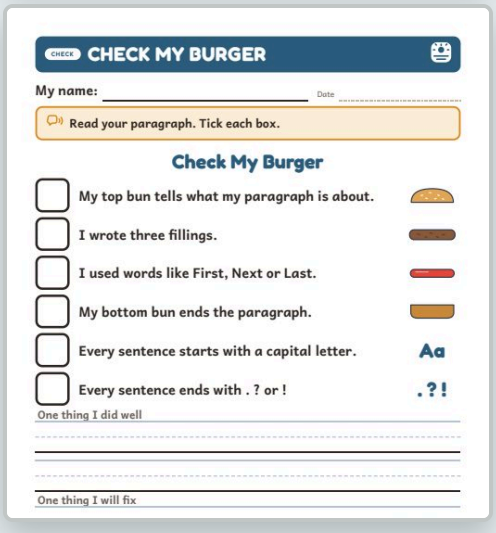
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Fillings: keep going
Next · Then · Also · For example

Bottom bun: finish
Last · Finally · In the end · So

Pick two words. Write a sentence for each.


CHECK · CHECK MY BURGER

My name: _____ Date _____

Read your paragraph. Tick each box.

Check My Burger

- ☐ My top bun tells what my paragraph is about.
- ☐ I wrote three fillings.
- ☐ I used words like First, Next or Last.
- ☐ My bottom bun ends the paragraph.
- ☐ Every sentence starts with a capital letter. Aa
- ☐ Every sentence ends with . ? or ! .?!

One thing I did well

One thing I will fix

Fillable PDF · **28 Pages** · **6 Prompts** · **Plan + Draft**

BRIGHT PATH SPED

START HERE

QUICK START

One kit for teaching the hamburger paragraph: a drawn burger that holds the plan, then ruled lines to write the paragraph, in three kinds of writing. Every student page is pencil work, so no student page needs scissors or glue.

THREE STEPS

1. **Teach the burger**
   Page 4 shows the five layers. Page 5 is a finished burger paragraph by an invented writer, with the connecting words underlined. Read both aloud before anyone writes.

2. **Plan, then draft**
   Each of the 6 prompts has a plan page (the burger, two lines for each of the 5 layers) and a draft page (10 ruled lines with a starter printed for each layer). Click any line in a PDF reader to type your own starter before you print.

3. **Check it, fix it, log it**
   The checklist (page 19) has 6 boxes and Fix It Up (page 20) has 4 sentences to correct. Date each burger on the log (page 21); the class grid is page 23.

WHICH PAGE, WHEN

WHEN…	USE…
A paragraph that gives facts	Tell About It, pages 7–8 and 9–10
A paragraph that gives an opinion	What I Think, pages 11–12 and 13–14
A paragraph that tells a story	What Happened, pages 15–16 and 17–18
A child needs words to connect ideas	Connecting Words, page 6 · phrase bank, page 25
A child is ready to revise	Check My Burger, page 19 · Fix It Up, page 20

Everything inside (28 pages)

- **17 student pages**: 6 plan pages, 6 draft pages, a parts page, a finished model, connecting words, a checklist and Fix It Up
- **6 prompts** in 3 kinds of paragraph: 2 each
- **30 printed starters** on the draft pages
- **1 writing log** (6 rows), **1 class grid**, **1 filled example**
- **1 family note**, **1 phrase bank**
- **1 binder cover, 6 divider tabs** and a spine label

What is not in here

There is no scoring and no rubric. How many details to ask for, and when, is your call: your district's own writing expectations decide the rest.

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BURGER PARTS

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Tell About It

Tell facts about something.

What I Think

Tell what you think and why.

What Happened

Tell what happened in order.

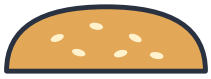
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Filling 3

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Bottom bun

That is why pizza is the best lunch.

All together

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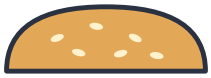
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Top bun


Filling 1


Filling 2


Filling 3


Bottom bun

I think _____

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Another reason is _____

Also, _____

So _____

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EXAMPLE PRIYA'S LOG

Priya R. is invented; nothing on this page describes a real student. The blank log is on page 21.

STUDENT	TEACHER	MONTH
Priya R. (an invented student)	**Ms. Bello (invented)**	**September and October**

ROW	BURGER	PLAN DATE	DRAFT DATE	LAYERS (OF 5)	CHECKS (OF 6)	NOTES
1	Favorite Animal · Tell About It	9/3	9/4	5	5	Said the facts out loud first
2	A Place in Town · Tell About It	9/10	9/11	4	4	Bottom bun still blank
3	Recess · What I Think	9/17	9/18	5	6	–
4	Summer or Winter · What I Think	9/24	–	3	–	Three layers so far
5	A Day to Remember · What Happened	10/1	10/2	5	4	Used First, Next and Last
6	Helping · What Happened	–	–	–	–	–

How to read it

Priya R. has planned **5 of 6** burgers and drafted **4 of 6**. Her plans hold **22** layers in all and her drafts earned **19** checks. By kind: Tell About It 2 plans and 2 drafts, What I Think 2 and 1, What Happened 1 and 1. Next up is row 4, Summer or Winter: the plan is done, so the draft is next. Every number comes from the table above.

Row 3 as the child wrote it (invented, 6 of 6 checks)

Recess is the best part of school. First, I get to run and climb with my friends. Also, I can sit and rest my brain after math. Best of all, we make up new games together. That is why recess is the best part of school.

THANK YOU **BEFORE YOU GO**

THANK YOU FOR USING THIS RESOURCE

Everything here was built for the teacher who has a table of children who each need a different amount of support to organize a paragraph. If this helped, leaving feedback on TPT helps other teachers find it.

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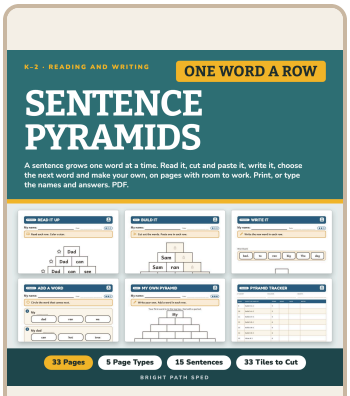
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More writing and sentence work from the same collection.



Writing Paper with Picture Box

Draw first, then write, in four layouts.



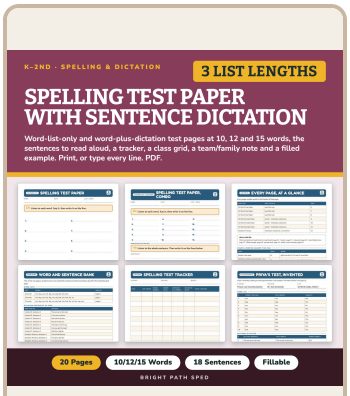
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