

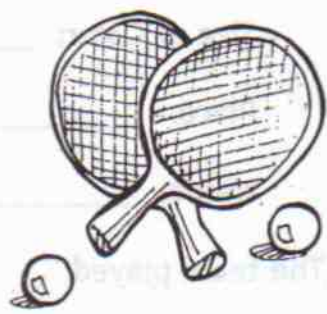
What's the Topic?

TOPIC SENTENCES



A topic sentence is the first sentence in the paragraph that tells what the paragraph is about. Read each set of sentences. Circle the topic sentence.

- 1 Puppies like to play.
A puppy makes a wonderful pet.
It's fun to take a puppy on a walk.
- 2 We always catch a lot of fish.
Fishing with a fishing guide is the best way to fish.
He teaches me which bait to use to catch the best fish.
- 3 The teachers are nice and recess is fun.
You learn a lot about different things.
School is great!
- 4 My grandpa is a great guy.
He always jokes around with me and makes me laugh.
Grandpa tells me interesting stories about when he was young.
- 5 They wash their food before they eat it.
Raccoons will eat almost anything.
Raccoons are interesting animals.
- 6 It's fun to play with two or four players.
Ping-Pong™ is a great game.
It takes talent to keep bouncing the ball on the table.
- 7 The players are very talented.
It's always fun to see who wins.
Watching a professional basketball game is exciting.



Write a topic sentence for this unfinished paragraph.

There are so many different animals to see. You can buy a souvenir and a snack at the concession stand. On Sundays you can take a ride on a camel or help the zookeeper feed the tortoises. Mom says the zoo is a great place for fun family time.