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Thông tin

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2. In this painting, there are many stars in the sky. (Too specific)

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(Segal, M.K., & Pavlik, C., 1997, p.19)

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Câu hỏi **1**

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EXERCISE 3

Choose the best topic sentence for each controlling idea.

1. Topic: Clubs at university

Controlling idea: There are three types of clubs at the university.

Topic sentences:

Chọn một câu trả lời đúng:

- a. Universities usually have many sport clubs
- b. University clubs can be classified into three types. ✓
- c. Many university students enjoy club activities after their classes are over.

Câu hỏi **2**

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2. Topic: Living in a university dormitory

Controlling idea: Living in a university dormitory has many benefits for university students

Topic sentences:

Chọn một câu trả lời đúng:

- a. When students start university, some of them move into a dormitory.
- b. The main benefit of living in a dormitory is free air conditioning.
- c. Living in a dormitory brings a number of benefits to university students. ✓

Câu hỏi **3**

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3. Topic: Academic writing skills for university students

Controlling idea: Academic writing skills are essential for high grades in university.

Chọn một câu trả lời đúng:

- a. Good academic writing skills help students in university and throughout their lives.
- b. In university, having academic writing skills is important to achieve good marks. ✓
- c. The ability to write well is a requirement for top grades in literature.

Thông tin

(Adopted from Chin et al., 2012)

Câu hỏi **4**

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EXERCISE 4

First, recognizing the effective topic sentences (V), draw one line under the topic and two lines under the controlling ideas. Then write too general (TG) or too specific (TS) in appropriate space next to each statement. The first sentence is done for you:

1. TG Winter is a good season.

TS Winter weather is cold, and it snows.

V The best season for kids is winter

2.

V ✓

Soccer is the world's most popular sport.

TS ✓

You need a leather ball to play soccer.

TG ✓

Soccer is a nice game.

3.

TG ✓

There are many people in New York.

TS ✓

People from many cultures live in New York.

V ✓

New York is one of the biggest cities in America.

4.

TS ✓

Monolingual dictionaries have only one language, and bilingual ones have two languages.

V ✓

Many language students prefer bilingual dictionaries to monolingual dictionaries.

TS ✓

Dictionaries that have two languages, such as French and English, are called bilingual dictionaries.

5.

V ✓

French perfumes are expensive for a number of reasons.

TS ✓

My mother's perfume smells flowery.

TS ✓

You can purchase perfumes in expensive blue crystal bottles.

6.

TS ✓

Most of the girls in the class get higher grades in Spanish than the boys.

V ✓

Research has shown that girls are better at languages than boys.

TG ✓

Many students like languages very much.

7.

 ✓

Cats are better than dogs for many reasons.

 ✓

Cats and dogs are both mammals.

 ✓

Cats can't swim very well, but dogs can.

8.

 ✓

Yesterday I didn't have lunch with my co-worker.

 ✓

Yesterday, I went to work late.

 ✓

Yesterday was the worst day of my life.

(Adopted from Savage, A. and Shafiei, M, 2007)

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