Paragraph Rubric

❑ **Category 1: Introduction and Main Idea (4 points)**

- 4 points: The paragraph has a clear introduction sentence that tells what the paragraph is about, and the main idea is well-stated.

- 3 points: The paragraph has a introduction sentence, and the main idea is somewhat clear.

- 2 points: The paragraph has a introduction sentence, but the main idea is unclear.

- 1 point: The introduction sentence is missing or unclear, and the main idea is not evident.

❑ **Category 2: Details and Examples (4 points)**

- 4 points: The paragraph includes several relevant and well-explained details, facts, or examples that support the main idea.

- 3 points: The paragraph includes some relevant details but may lack explanation or examples.

- 2 points: The details provided are limited, and they do not effectively support the main idea.

- 1 point: The paragraph lacks relevant details or examples to support the main idea.

❑ **Category 3: Organization and Flow (4 points)**

- 4 points: The paragraph is well-organized, and ideas flow smoothly from one to the next using appropriate transition words.

- 3 points: The paragraph is somewhat organized, and there is some use of transition words, but the flow could be improved.

- 2 points: The organization is unclear, and there are no clear transition words.

- 1 point: The paragraph lacks organization and has no use of transition words.

❑ **Category 4: Grammar and Spelling (4 points)**

- 4 points: The paragraph has few to no grammatical errors and spelling mistakes.

- 3 points: The paragraph has some grammatical errors and spelling mistakes but they do not significantly distract from the readability.

- 2 points: The paragraph has noticeable grammatical errors and spelling mistakes that somewhat affect readability.

- 1 point: The paragraph has numerous grammatical errors and spelling mistakes that make it difficult to understand.

❑ **Category 5: Neatness and Presentation (4 points)**

- 4 points: The paragraph is neatly written or typed and is easy to read.

- 3 points: The paragraph is somewhat neat but could be improved in presentation.

- 2 points: The paragraph is messy or hard to read.

- 1 point: The paragraph is illegible or incomplete.