



Kansas Learning Strategies: The Paragraph Writing Strategy

Workshop Description

The Paragraph Writing Strategy is a strategy for organizing ideas related to a topic, planning the point of view and verb tense to be used in the paragraph, planning the sequence in which ideas will be expressed, and writing a variety of topic, detail, and clincher sentences. The program consists of two products: an Instructor's Manual and a Student Lessons Manual. The Instructor's Manual features a systematic sequence of instructional procedures; the Student Lessons Manual features exercises that correspond to the instructional procedures. Research results showed that students earned an average of 40 percent of the points available when writing a paragraph on the pretest and an average of 71 percent of the points available when writing a paragraph on the post-test.

Workshop Information

Date: Monday, August 23 and Tuesday, August 24

Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm, with an hour lunch break each day (Lunch will not be provided.)

Place: Groves Academy Media Center

Cost: \$140 per person (\$100 for the seminar and \$40 for the materials)

Workshop Format

The workshop will be presented by Kansas Strategies certified trainer Margie Motzel. Margie is a Reading Intervention Specialist with the Saint Paul Public Schools Center for Professional Development. The workshop will consist of presentations on the Kansas method of instruction, as well as practice with the course content. It will be very interactive, as participants learn how to create and teach lessons with the Paragraph Writing Strategy.

About Groves Academy

Groves Academy is a leader in providing learning disability education and resources to students, families and educators in the Twin Cities community. Groves is the area's only established independent day school specifically serving children who have learning disabilities or attention disorders. Groves Academy also provides outreach programs and services to the Twin Cities community including workshops, summer programs, diagnostic assessments and tutoring services. To learn more, visit www.grovesacademy.org.

About the Kansas University Center for Research on Learning

The Center for Research on Learning is an internationally recognized research and development organization noted for creating solutions that dramatically improve quality of life, learning, and performance, especially for those who experience barriers to success. The Center promotes research-based instructional methods and provides training workshops for educators across the country. To learn more, visit www.ku-crl.org.

Registration Information

Please enclose \$140.00. Checks should be made out to Groves Academy.

Cancellations must be received by Friday, August 13 and will be subject to a \$25.00 processing fee.

Send registration to: Groves Academy
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Questions?
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- I have enclosed a check for \$140.00 made out to Groves Academy
- Please charge my credit card for \$140.00 on August 2, 2010.

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