Social Studies 8

Section: Writing Skills

Lesson: Types of Paragraphs

In order to express CLEAR and WELL DEVELOPED ideas, students must become familiar with the FOUR different types of paragraphs used when writing in Social Studies.

1. **NARRATIVE PARAGRAPH**
   1. **Tells a story**
   2. **\*Using “I” or first person is useful**

**[Can be used in a Narrative Paragraph]**

**Example: Auto-Biography… “I am….” Project**

1. **DESCRIPTIVE PARAGRAPH**
   1. **Describes something or someone**
   2. **Lists the qualities of something or someone**

**Example: Geographic Advantages of Rome….**

1. **EXPLANATORY PARAGRAPH**
   1. **Explains a process or “how to do” something**

**Example: How to bake a cake….**

1. **EXPOSITORY PARAGRAPH**
   1. **Explains the causes of an event, and the result of that event**

**Example: Fall of Rome….**