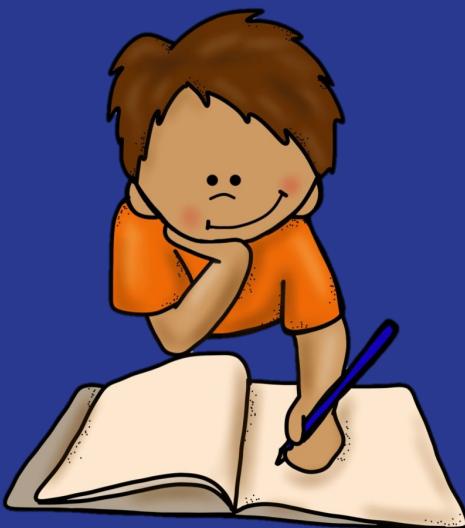


Writing a Recount



What is a recount?

- A recount is the **retelling** or **recounting** of an event or an experience.

Often based on the direct experience of the writer, the purpose is to tell what happened.
- Since you retell an event you experienced, the first person should be used.
(I, we, our, us, ...)
- Recounts are written to retell events with the purpose of either informing or entertaining their audience (or both).

How to write a recount? (4-5 paragraphs)

Introduction - 1 paragraph

- Participants? / where? / when?

Body part (2-3) paragraphs

- Each body paragraph contains a day/ idea of the event.

Conclusion - 1 paragraph

- Sum up the ideas and mention your opinion briefly

Introduction

- *One paragraph.*
- In the introduction paragraph, you have to mention:

1. Participants (who?)

2. Place (where?)

3. Date (when?)



Body Part

- **2 to 3 paragraphs.**
- **If the recount is written about an incident that happened in more than one day, each day should be written in a separate paragraph.**
- **If the incident happened in one day, each idea/ event should be written in a separate paragraph.**

Body Part (Continued)

- Ideas/ events in a recount should be written in chronological order.
(Sequence of events).
- **You can use these connectives:**
 1. On the first day/ second day/ last day.
 2. Firstly, secondly, ...
 3. Then, Later, ...

Conclusion

- 1 paragraph
- In the conclusion, you sum up the ideas/ events mentioned in the body paragraphs WITHOUT adding new ideas.
- You can also mention your opinion briefly about the event.

For example: I really enjoyed the trip to Hawaii, it is an experience I will never forget.