

PEEL stands for:

Point

Evidence

Explain

Link

In this English unit, you will learn how to write a persuasive paragraph using the PEEL method. Persuasive means you will try to convince the reader of your point of view.

PEEL Paragraph Example – *Should zoos be allowed?*

State your POINT

Support with EVIDENCE

EXPLAIN the evidence

LINK to the topic

Removing wild animals from their natural habitats is cruel, and zoos should not be allowed. When kept captive, these beautiful creatures become bored and lonely, often leading to a condition called 'zoochosis'. Animals suffering from zoochosis begin performing anxious, repetitive acts such as rocking back and forth, swaying, and grooming themselves excessively. Some get sick and can't eat properly. Conditions such as this clearly show that wild animals belong in the wilderness, not in restrictive cages. Animals must be freed from zoos now, so that this torture ends for good.

Steps:

- 1) Read the article.
- 2) Choose a viewpoint.
- 3) Highlight evidence that supports your viewpoint.
- 4) Fill in the note taking organizer.
- 5) Write your paragraph.
- 6) Use the editing checklist to edit your paragraph.
- 7) Get someone else to check, then make revisions.
- 8) Hand in your revised rough draft along with your editing checklist.