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Writing Topic Sentences Answer Key

Answers will vary. Topic sentences must match the **overall main idea** of each paragraph.

Sample acceptable topic sentences:

1. **Our school library is a great place for students to enjoy reading.**
2. **Sledding on the big hill is a favorite winter activity in the neighborhood.**
3. **Science class gives students many chances to explore and experiment.**

Each topic sentence should introduce the broad idea that the details explain.

Teacher's Guide

- Remind students that a **topic sentence** must cover all details in the paragraph, not just one detail.
- Model how to read a paragraph and ask, **What is this mostly about?** before writing a sentence.
- Provide sentence starters for students who need support, such as **Many people enjoy...**, **Students often...**, or **One place where...**
- Encourage pair work, where students read their topic sentences aloud and partners check if they match the details.
- For an extension, challenge students to write an **extra supporting detail** that still fits their chosen topic sentence.