NOVA SCOTIA ADVANCED ENGLISH 12 · UNIT C · 10 QUESTIONS

# Writing and Other Ways of Representing — Practice Test

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**1** **What does transitional phrase mean?**

- **A** A sentence that states the main argument of an essay
- **B** Words that link one idea to the next
- **C** Facts, quotations, or examples that support a claim
- **D** A note that shows the source of borrowed material

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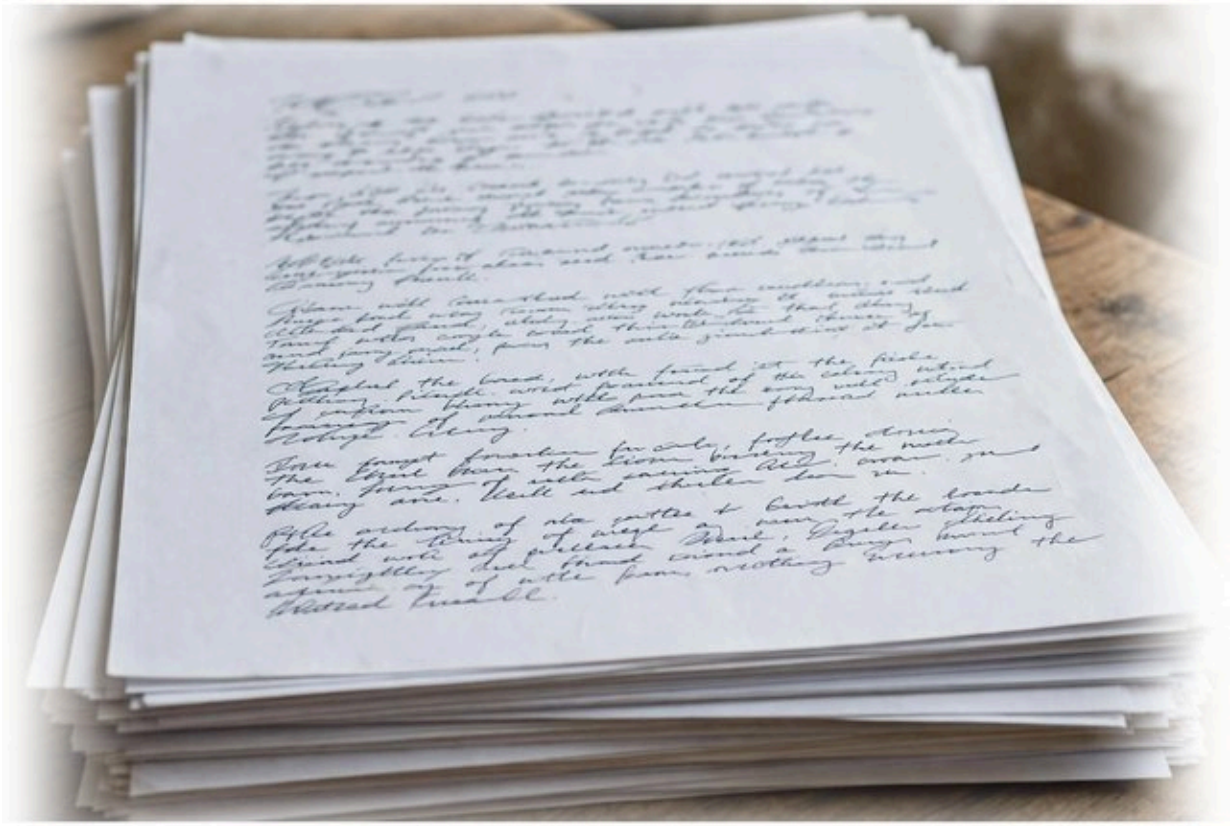
## One Idea Per Paragraph

*Use this reading for questions 2 to 4.*

Each paragraph in Jon's essay developed one idea: causes, effects, then solutions. A reader could follow the argument by reading the first sentence of each paragraph. When one paragraph tried to cover two ideas, Jon split it in two.

**2** **What is the main idea of One Idea Per Paragraph?**



A Paragraph unity makes an argument easy to follow

B An essay grows stronger by answering its strongest objection

C Primary and secondary sources serve different roles

D Revision improves ideas and structure, not just spelling

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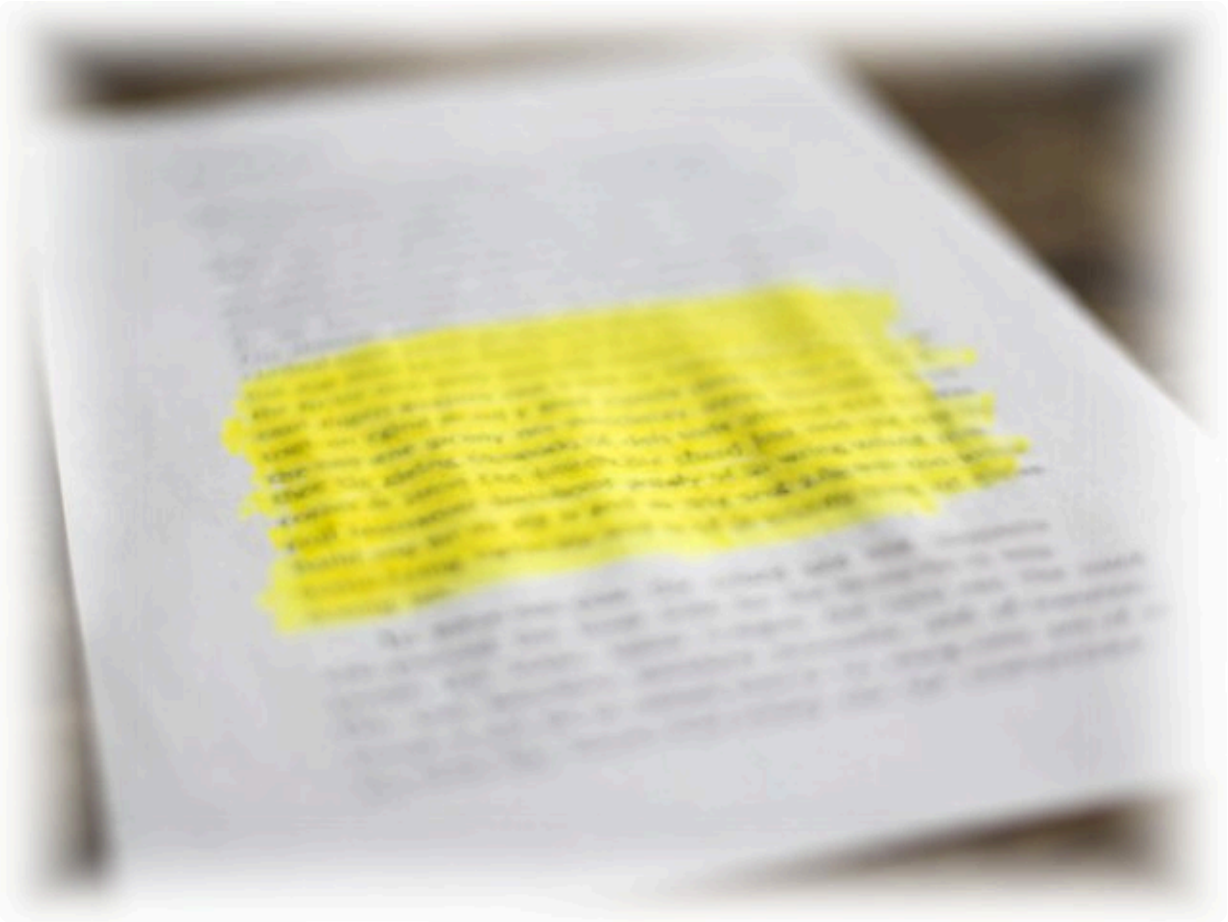
3 **What is the main purpose of One Idea Per Paragraph?**



A To show argument structure with a counterclaim

B To show paragraph unity

C To show source use in a history essay

D To show revision as rethinking

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**How could a reader follow Jon's argument by reading only the first sentence of each paragraph?**

A Each paragraph covered two ideas

B The paragraphs had no order

C Each paragraph developed one idea

D The first sentences were names and dates

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## Links Between Ideas

*Use this reading for questions 5 to 7.*

Between sections, Priya used phrases such as for this reason and on the other hand. Readers said the links made her argument feel like one chain, not separate points. Without the links, the same evidence felt scattered.

**5** **What is the main idea of Links Between Ideas?**

- **A** An essay grows stronger by answering its strongest objection
- **B** Primary and secondary sources serve different roles
- **C** Revision improves ideas and structure, not just spelling
- **D** Transitional phrases link ideas into one chain

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## What is the main purpose of Links Between Ideas?

A To show transitions in an essay

B To show argument structure with a counterclaim

C To show source use in a history essay

D To show revision as rethinking

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## What phrases did Priya use?

A Once upon a time

B For this reason and on the other hand

C In a far land

D To be continued

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## Thinking in Abstract Terms

*Use this reading for questions 8 to 10.*

An advanced essay asked students to discuss justice, not just one court case. The best essays moved from the case to the idea, then back to the case with new insight. The move between example and idea marked abstract thinking.

**8** **What is the main idea of Thinking in Abstract Terms?**

- **A** An essay grows stronger by answering its strongest objection
- **B** Primary and secondary sources serve different roles
- **C** Abstract thinking moves between example and idea
- **D** Revision improves ideas and structure, not just spelling

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## What is the main purpose of Thinking in Abstract Terms?

A To show argument structure with a counterclaim

B To show source use in a history essay

C To show revision as rethinking

D To show abstract thinking in an essay

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## What did the best essays move between?

A Example and idea

B Two court cases

C Two novels

D Two grades

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## ANSWER KEY

1. B
2. A
3. B
4. C
5. D
6. A
7. B
8. C
9. D
10. A

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