

Paragraphs

Paragraphing is used to indicate a new section of text. Paragraphs can show that a different subject is being written about:

Examples:

Sam's favourite things included his computer and X-Box. He had many other possessions, but he always seemed to select one of these things whenever he had spare time at home.

What Sam liked about his computer most of all was...*(the text would continue to describe Sam's relationship with his computer, and perhaps include details of how it works, and so on).*

The X-Box was a reasonably new acquisition for Sam. His grandfather...*(the text would continue to explore how Sam got his X-Box).*

Paragraphing can also occur when one subject is being described, but the writer wishes to include specific details.

Examples:

Life aboard the *Mary Louise* was far from simple for the young deckhand.

Early in the morning, Joseph must clean the decks from top to bottom and polish the brass until the Captain's face could be seen without a blemish. Joseph would go back and forth to the galley, collecting his rags and buckets for each new job until he was done.

When the Captain had retired to dine in the evenings, Joseph would once again begin his duties...*(the text would continue to show the differences between Joseph's morning and night duties).*