

Application and Reasoning

Step 3: Paragraphs in Non-Fiction

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 6: Linking ideas across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices: repetition of a word or phrase, grammatical connections [for example, the use of adverbials such as on the other hand, in contrast, or as a consequence], and ellipsis
Layout devices [for example, headings, sub-headings, columns, bullets, or tables, to structure text]

Terminology for pupils:

- Ellipsis

Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Application)

Developing Choose a suitable sub-heading to extend a text and include the opening sentence.

Expected Add a sub-heading to extend a text and include the opening sentence.

Greater Depth Add a sub-heading to extend a text and include the opening sentence that includes a subordinating conjunction and parenthesis.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Application)

Developing Rewrite a short paragraph to include bullet points. No additional words are needed. A reminder given to include a colon.

Expected Rewrite a paragraph to include bullet points. Additional words may need to be added. A reminder given to include a colon.

Greater Depth Rewrite a paragraph to include bullet points. Additional words may need to be added. Punctuate correctly.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Reasoning)

Developing Explain why a sentence should be placed under a specific sub-heading. Two options given.

Expected Explain why a sentence should be placed under a specific sub-heading.

Greater Depth Explain why a sentence should be placed under a specific sub-heading. There will be more than one viable answer.

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Paragraphs in Non-Fiction

What Makes the UK Great?

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the UK) is made up of the following countries: England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales. Each country is proud of its own history, politics, capital city and football teams. However, they can stand together as one, in times of need.

Diversity

The UK is home to a rich assortment of people, who come from many different countries. For example, over 300 different languages are spoken by families in London alone and many of these families have lived in the UK for most (if not all) of their lives.

The Royal Family

The royal family continue a tradition that goes back over a thousand years. They help the UK in the following ways: they support hundreds of charities each year, people believe that they help unite the country and thousands of tourists visit the UK each year to see the royal family.

Food and Drink

Nowadays, people of the UK eat a wide range of food that comes from other countries. However, it's fair to say that the UK is famous for its love of fish and chips; a full English breakfast; bangers and mash; and a Sunday roast. People in the UK are also known for their love of a nice cup of tea or a pint of beer.

1a. Choose a suitable sub-heading from the selection below to extend the text. Write the opening sentence of your new paragraph.

Famous Britons

Native Wildlife

Fashion



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2a. Rewrite paragraph three to include bullet points. Use a colon to introduce the bullet pointed list.



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3a. The author has written the sentence below.

Royalty also visit other countries to improve relationships with the UK.

Under which sub-heading should it be placed? Explain your answer.

Diversity

The Royal Family



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The Beatles

Who Were They?

The Beatles were an English rock and roll band. They formed in Liverpool in 1960. The band consisted of: John Lennon (rhythm guitar), Paul McCartney (bass guitar), George Harrison (lead guitar) and Ringo Starr (drums).

Number 1 Hits

Their first hit was called, "Please, Please Me". The album reached number 1 in the British charts in 1963. They had 17 British number 1 singles.

Beatlemania

This was the word used to describe the effect they had on their fans. In 1964, they travelled to the United States. They were greeted at the airport by thousands of screaming fans. Whilst there, they appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show. The show was watched by 74 million people which was a record number of viewers.

A Lasting Impression

The band inspired many people. Here are a few examples. Young people wanted to play guitars and form their own bands. Their fashion sense was copied around the world. They were proof that a group of boys, from simple backgrounds, could go on to achieve fame and fortune.

1b. Choose a suitable sub-heading from the selection below to extend the text. Write the opening sentence of your new paragraph.

End of an Era

Where are they Now?

Famous Fans of The Beatles



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2b. Rewrite paragraph four to include bullet points. Use a colon to introduce the bullet pointed list.



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3b. The author has written the sentence below.

In 1967, "Hello, Goodbye" spent seven weeks at number 1 in the British charts.

Under which sub-heading should it be placed? Explain your answer.

Number 1 Hits

Beatlemania



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What Makes the UK Great?

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the UK) is comprised of the following countries: England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales. Each country is proudly patriotic of its own history, politics, capital city, language, landscape and football teams, yet each has the capacity to pull together and stand shoulder to shoulder, as one formidable team, in times of need.

Diversity

The UK is home to a rich diversity of people, who originate from many different countries. For example, over 300 different languages are spoken by families in London alone and many of these families have been residents of the UK for several generations.

The Royal Family

The royal family continue a tradition that dates back over a thousand years. They support hundreds of charities each year and are deemed to strengthen national unity and stability. Thousands of tourists flock to the UK each year, enticed by their fascination with royalty.

Food and Drink

Although the country is awash with food originating from other countries, it's fair to say that the UK is famous for its love of fish and chips; a full English breakfast; bangers and mash; and a Sunday roast – all washed down with a nice cup of tea or a pint of beer.

4a. Add one more sub-heading to extend the text above. Write the opening sentence of your new paragraph.



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5a. Rewrite paragraph three to include bullet points. Add or remove words if necessary and use a colon to introduce the bullet pointed list.



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6a. The author has written the sentence below.

British tastes in food have changed over the years, particularly since the last war.

Under which sub-heading should it be placed? Explain your answer.



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Number 1 Hits

Success first arrived with a song entitled, "Please, Please Me" which reached number 2 in the British charts in 1963. The band went on to have a record breaking 17 British number 1 singles.

Beatlemania

Beatlemania was the term used to describe the effect they had on fans during the height of their fame. In 1964, the band first travelled to the United States, where they were greeted at the airport by thousands of screaming fans. While there, they appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show, which was watched by an incredible 74 million people, a record number of viewers at the time.

A Lasting Impression

The band heavily influenced a generation of people. They inspired adolescents to pick up a guitar and form a band. Their ever-evolving style and fashion sense was copied around the world. They were living proof that a group of boys, from very modest backgrounds, could go on to achieve great fame and fortune.

4b. Add one more sub-heading to extend the text above. Write the opening sentence of your new paragraph.



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5b. Rewrite paragraph four to include bullet points. Add or remove words if necessary and use a colon to introduce the bullet pointed list.



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6b. The author has written the sentence below.

They were, and still are, one of the most successful and influential bands in the world.

Under which sub-heading should it be placed? Explain your answer.



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What Makes the UK Great?

The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the UK) is comprised of the following countries: England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales. Proudly patriotic of its own history, politics, capital city, language, landscape and football teams, each country is fiercely independent, yet has the capacity to unite – standing shoulder to shoulder – as one formidable team, in times of need.

Diversity

The UK is home to a rich diversity of people, who originate from many different countries. For example, over 300 different languages are spoken in London (home to one of the largest multi-cultural populations in the world) and many of the families speaking these languages have been residents of the UK for several generations. Diversity within the population has heavily influenced popular trends and helped to define new cultural generations.

The Royal Family

The royal family continue a tradition that dates back over a thousand years. They provide patronage to hundreds of charities each year and are deemed to strengthen national unity and stability. Thousands of tourists, who have no royal family of their own, flock to the UK each year, enticed by their fascination with royalty.

Food and Drink

Although British cuisine has been heavily influenced by other countries, it's fair to say that the UK is infamous for its love of fish and chips; a full English breakfast; bangers and mash; and a Sunday roast – all consumed with a nice cup of tea or a pint of beer.

7a. Add one more sub-heading to extend the text above. Write the opening sentence of your new paragraph. Include a subordinating conjunction and parenthesis in your sentence.



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8a. Rewrite paragraph three to include bullet points. Add or remove words if necessary and punctuate your bullet pointed list correctly.



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9a. The author has written the sentence below.

Due to immigration and globalisation, British tastes have changed somewhat over the years.

Under which sub-heading should it be placed? Explain your answer.



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Number 1 Hits

Success first arrived with, "Please, Please Me" which reached number 2 in the UK chart in 1963. The band went on to achieve a record breaking 17 UK number 1 singles: their final number 1 entitled, "The Ballard of John and Yoko" being released in May of 1969.

Beatlemania

Beatlemania was the term used to describe the effect the band had on fans during the height of their fame. In 1964, they first travelled to the United States, where they were received at the airport by thousands of hysterical fans. While there, they appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show, which was watched by a staggering 74 million people, a record number of viewers at the time.

A Lasting Impression

The band influenced a generation of people and future musicians, who incorporated many elements of The Beatles sound into their own music. They inspired adolescents to pick up a guitar and form a band. Their ever-evolving style and fashion sense was replicated around the world. They were living proof that a group of boys, from very humble beginnings, could go on to achieve astronomical fame and fortune.

7b. Add one more sub-heading to extend the text above. Write the opening sentence of your new paragraph. Include a subordinating conjunction and parenthesis in your sentence.



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8b. Rewrite paragraph four to include bullet points. Add or remove words if necessary and punctuate your bullet pointed list correctly.



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9b. The author has written the sentence below.

Some consider The Beatles to be the greatest band ever, even though others have gone on to achieve just as much success in the British charts.

Under which sub-heading should it be placed? Explain your answer.



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Developing

1a. Various answers, for example:

Native Wildlife

Hedgehogs are well-loved in the UK.

2a. The royal family continue a tradition that goes back over a thousand years.

They help the UK in the following ways:

- They support hundreds of charities each year.
- People believe that they help unite the country.
- Thousands of tourists visit the UK each year to see the royal family.

3a. The sentence should be added under the sub-heading 'The Royal Family' as it references a way how royalty benefits the UK.

Expected

4a. Various answers, for example:

Famous Britons

Over the years, the UK has produced many famous individuals that have become world leaders in their area of expertise.

5a. Various answers, for example:

The royal family continues a tradition that dates back over a thousand years. They benefit the UK in the following ways:

- They support hundreds of charities each year.
- They are deemed to strengthen national unity and stability.
- Thousands of tourists flock to the UK each year, enticed by their fascination with royalty.

6a. The sentence should be added under the sub-heading 'Food and Drink' as it references the country's changing tastes in food.

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Developing

1b. Various answers, for example:

Where are they Now?

Paul and Ringo are the only surviving members of the band.

2b. The band inspired many people. Here are a few examples of that:

- Young people wanted to play guitars and form their own bands.
- Their fashion sense was copied around the world.
- They were proof that a group of boys, from simple backgrounds, could go on to achieve fame and fortune.

3b. The sentence should be added under the sub-heading 'Number 1 Hits' as it references a song that was number 1 for seven weeks.

Expected

4b. Various answers, for example:

End of an Era

Sadly, the band split in 1970 due to the pressures of fame.

5b. Various answers, for example:

The band heavily influenced a generation of people. For example:

- They inspired adolescents to pick up a guitar and form a band.
- Their ever-evolving style and fashion sense was copied around the world.
- They were living proof that a group of boys, from very modest backgrounds, could go on to achieve great fame and fortune.

6b. The sentence should be added under the sub-heading 'A Lasting Impression' as it references their success and the impact they had on the world.

Greater Depth

7a. Various answers, for example:

Native Wildlife

The red deer (the largest land mammal in the UK) is predominately found in Scotland, because of its vast, sparsely populated countryside.

8a. Various answers, for example:

The royal family continue a tradition that dates back over a thousand years. They benefit the UK in the following ways:

- They provide patronage to hundreds of charities each year.
- They are deemed to strengthen national unity and stability.
- Thousands of tourists, who have no royal family of their own, flock to the UK each year, enticed by their fascination with royalty.

9a. The sentence could be included under the sub-heading 'Diversity' as it references immigration and how that has influenced new trends. It could also go under the sub-heading 'Food and Drink' as it references British tastes.

Greater Depth

7b. Various answers, for example:

Famous Beatles Fans

Many famous rock musicians, if they are being completely honest with themselves, will admit to being influenced by the sound of The Beatles when they were younger.

8b. Various answers, for example:

The band heavily influenced a generation of people and future musicians. For example:

- Musicians incorporated many elements of The Beatles sound into their own music.
- They inspired adolescents to pick up a guitar and form a band.
- Their ever-evolving style and fashion sense was replicated around the world.
- They were living proof that a group of boys, from very humble beginnings, could go on to achieve astronomical fame and fortune.

9b. The sentence could be included under the sub-heading 'Number 1 Hits' as it references the British charts. It could also go under the sub-heading 'A Lasting Impression' as it references the greatest band ever.