

I can write the first part of my main paragraph .

Last week you wrote the introduction to your balanced argument so today you are going to be writing the **first part** of your **main paragraph**. You can refer to your research notes from last week.

So for example: Reasons for not cutting down the rain forest or reasons for not wearing school uniforms.

Have a look at the next few slides to help you .

Writing your first points of view.

You could start your main paragraph with 'Firstly'. Write about your first point of the argument.

To add more reasons you could use connectives like **Secondly** or **In addition to this** or **Also**, **Furthermore** or **Besides this** .

Remember always try and give examples or evidence to back up your points.

Use 'Finally' to begin your last point.

Remember you do not give your opinion yet.

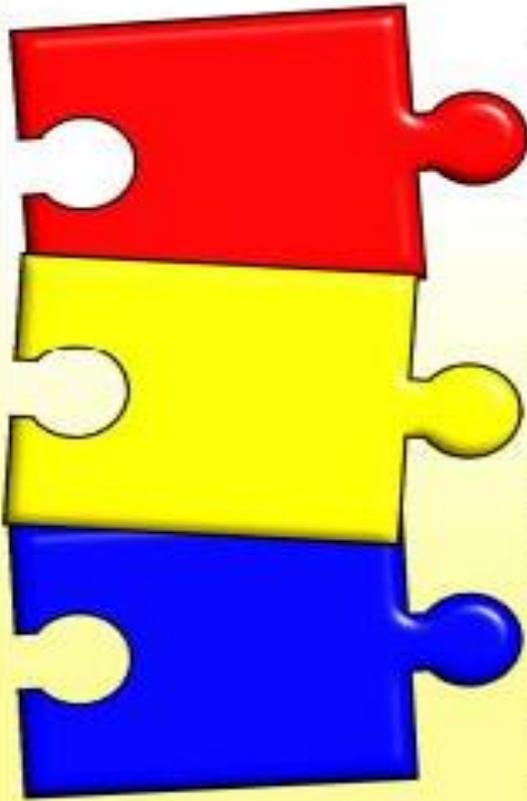
The next slide shows an example about the rainforest. Remember today you only write one opinion either for or against

There are many reasons why we should not be destroying the rainforest. **Firstly**, the trees provide shelter and food for animals and plants, **moreover** there are a lot of animals living in them which means they **may** die and become extinct. **If we were to** cut trees down then we **could** lose a lot of our oxygen **since** most of the world's oxygen comes from the rainforest. Animals get their food from leaves, fruit and berries, **so** they would starve if these trees did not exist anymore. Trees provide shade from the sun and shelter from the rain **therefore** without them the soil would dry up or become a marshy land. **Finally**, rainforests are made up of many species of plants and herbs which **can** be used to make medicines to stop diseases.

You could use some of these connectives to help you.

Connectives

connectives are used to link one sentence to another or to extend a sentence



and...

then...

next...

after...

when...

finally...

so...

first...

last...

because...

but...

while...

with...

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although...

also...

contrary to...

however...

nevertheless...

as well as...

despite...

besides...

so as to...

even though...

soon...

subsequently...

in addition to...

contrary to...

fortunately...

unfortunately...

happily...

as a result...

consequently...

just then...

sadly...

therefore...

for this reason...

I felt as...

moreover...

Now write your paragraph and send it to your teacher.